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Hongkong, December 24, 1880. NORTH-OHINA INSURANCE CO.

Final DIVIDEND for the Year 1879, A being a Return to Contributing shareholders of Five Pra Cant. (5 %) on the Net Premiums, is now Declared. Warrants will be payable at the Hono-KONG AND SHANGRAL BINKING CORPORT-Tion on and after WEDNESDAY, the 5th Proximo, until which date the Transfer

By Order of the Court of Directors. J. KENNARD DAVIS, Acting Secretary. Shanghai, 21st December, 1880.

Books of the Company are Closed.

Intimations.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED. NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 27th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, J. BRADLER SMITH,

Hongkong, December 18, 1880.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS, TITHE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED on SATURDAY and

MOND tY, the 25th and 27th Instant, and SATURDAY, the 1st January, 1881. For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," R. INNES, p. Manager. For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of

India, London and China," JOHN THURBURN, Manager, For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," WILLIAM FORREST, Manager. For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris,"
E. SCHWEBLIN, Acting Agent.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JAOKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, December 23, 1880.

NOTICE.

TITHE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will CLOSE on CHRIST-MAS DAY, on MONDAY, the 27th Inst. and on SATURDAY, the 1st January,

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, Canton Insurance Office; General Igents, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

N. J. EDE, Secretary, Union Insurance Society of Canton. REGINALD D. STARKEY, Acting Agent, North-China Insurance Company.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents, Yangisze Insurance Association. B. GOLDSMITH, Act. Secretary, China Traders' Insurance Co., Limited. J. BRADLEE SMITH, Secretary, Chinese Insurance Co., Limited. JAMES B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary, Ohina Fire Insurance Co., Limited. Hongkoug, December 24, 1880.



THENDERS will be RECEIVED at this OFFICE up till "oon of TUESDAY, 4th January, 1881, for REPAIRS to the ROOF of VERANDAHS of the Deputy Impector General's Residence at the ROYAL NAVAL HOSPITAL, according to Specification and Conditions, to be seen on application | 1881. to the Undersigned.

The lowest or any Tender will not be necessarily accepted. GEORGE COLES,

For Naval Storekeeper. H. M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, December 20, 1880.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. No. 127. CHINA SEA.

SWATOW DISTRICT. BREAKER POINT LIGHT HOUSE.

NTOTICE is hereby given, that the LIGHT On BREAKER POINT was exhibited for the first time at Sunset on the 8th Decem-The Illuminating Apparatus is a First Order Dioptric Occulting Li ht alternately Taking through Cargo for NEW ZEALAND. showing for eight seconds and suddenly disappearing for two seconds. It shows white from S. 55°. W. round by W. to N.

53° E. and red in shore of both these bearings as far as the land. The bearings are magnetic and taken from seawards. The Light is elevated 1524 feet above the level of the sea, and in clear weather it should be visible at a distance of 19 nanti-

The Tower is round, of iron, 91 feet high, with a total height from its base to the lantern vane of 120 feet. The Tower is painted in black and white horizontal bands, and the Dwellings and Boundary Wall white. Approximate position-Lat. N. 22° 56' 30'

Loug. E. 116° 28' 10' By order of the Inspector-General of Customs. DAVID M. HENDERSON, Engineer-in-Ohief.

Imperial Maritime Customs, Engineer's Office, Shanghai, 9th December, 1880.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COM-PANY, LIMITED. DEBENTURE LOAN FOR \$300,000.

MOUPONS for INTEREST falling due on Stat December, 1880, will be Paid on Presentation, at the Office of the Hong--KONG & SHANGHAT BANKING CORPORATION. Hougkoug, on and after that date.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agm's. Hongkong, December 21, 1880.

R. ROGERS has returned, and is now ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS at his Rooms, the First-floor of the premises lately occupied by the National Bank of

DENTAL NOTICE.

Hougkong, December 7, 1880. MHE "FAREAST. THE INSUES OF 1878 WANTED. Apply at this OFFICE.

Hongsong, October 4, 1880.

日一初月二十年辰庚 Intimations.

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HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COM-PANY, LIMITED.,

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 21st instant until the 4th Proximo, both days A. NEWTON.

Manager. Hongkong, December 9, 1880.

Shipping.

Steamers. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOODHOW. The Steamship "Kwangbung," Captalo Young, will be despatched for the above

Ports on SATURDAY, the 1st Prox., at Daylight, instead of as previously adver-For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, December 30, 1880. AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO. BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, AND TRIESTE.

(Tiking Cargo at through rates to OAL) CUITA, JEDDAH, ODESSA and the MEDITERRANEAN PORTS. The Co.'s Steamship " Mars" will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the

3rd Proximo, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & Co.,

Hongkong, December 30, 1880.

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS. The P. & O. S. N. Co,'s Steamship " Avdca" will leave for the above places at 4 p.m. on MONDAY, 3rd Prox.

A. McIVER. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, December 30, 1880. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR YOROHAMA (DIRECT). The Co.'s Steamship . 4. Priam" will be despatched on or about the 8rd Jan.,

For Freight or Passage, apply to .. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRF. Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1880.

Daylight.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUL. The Steamship " Hailoong," Captain Goods, will be iespatched for the above Ports on IUEDDAY, the 4th January, at

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 30, 1880. FOR PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY

KEPPLE BAY, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

tralian Steamship Co.'s Steamer Brisbane" will be despatched as above on TUESDAY the 4th January, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, December 28, 1880. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL Taking Cargo at through rates to NEW YORK and HAMBURG.)

The Steamship "Glenfalloch,"
Captain E. F. Park, will
be despatched as above on or about the 7th January, 1881. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, December 18, 1880.

COEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship " Nestor," Capt. R. Jago, will be despatched on or about

the 12th Jan., 1881. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agente. Hongkong, December 27, 1880,

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The Steamship Gapt. F. Grandin, due bere on or about 8th Proximo, will have immediate desputch for the above Port.

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Hongkong, December 28, 1880.

NOTIOE MARITIMES,

The Co.'s Steamship Commdt. PASQUALIST, will be despatched for HANGHAI shortly after her arrival from

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STEPHENS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will bave quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. .

Hongkong, December 21, 1880. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG. The 8/8 L 1 1 German Schooner " H. Bremer," - A

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGETT& Co.

Hougkong, December 21, 1880. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark " Fred. P. Litchfield" will load here for the above "

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VOUEL & Co.

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RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 29, 1880.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Schooner The A I American concounts
"Cadet,"
Brown, Master, will load here
for the above Port, and will

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Hongkong, December 27, 1880.

NOTICE.

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STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA. POINT DE GALLE. ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPIMES, AND MARSEILLES:

PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 5th January, 1881, at Noon, the Company S. S. OXUS, Commandant RAPATEL, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places. Cargo and Specie will be registered for

London as well as for Marsellles, and ac- 314 Bonds Nos :cepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted until Cargo will be received on board until p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on: the 4th January, 1881; (Parcels are

not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re-For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Agent. Hongkong, December 23, 1880. 3 ja5



MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE THE S. S. NIIGATA MARU, Captain WALEER, due here on or about the 3rd January, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 8th January, at Daylight.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 7th January. No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight. All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE. Cabin. Steerage. To KOBE..... \$ 60 .. УОКОНАМА & НАСАВАКІ... **SHANGHAI** vià Yоконама... 120 ,, Кова..... 95 ... 39

- CARGO and PASSENGERS for Nagasak will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobé. For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Offices, No. 50A, Queen's ROAD CENTRAL.

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE,

BOMBAY, MADRAY, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA:

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills 1134 of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STRAM Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON via BUMBAY and

Cargo will be received on board unti 10 a.m. on the day of departure. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of departure. Silk and Valuables for Europe will be

transhipped at Point de Galle: Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route vià Galle. For further Particulars regarding

PENINBULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong. -The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

pany's Black Bills of Lading. A. MolVElt, Superintendent, Hongkong, January 30, 1880.

U. S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP

COMPANY,

AT YOKORAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO. THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF A kong and the Public in General here TOKIO will be despatched for San

Pessengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports. to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Rallways, to Havans, Trinidad, and

connecting Steamers. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all SPICES trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers. Freight will be received on board until 2 p.m., the 12th January. Waroul Packager

> marked to address in full ; value of same is required. Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

RUSSELL & Co. Agents.

Intimations.

TENTH DRAWING.

Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following Numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Par in Hongkong on the 31st December next and in London, on the 19th February, 1881, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day. Drawn at the Offices of the Hengkong and Shanghai Banking CORPORATION, 31 Lombard Street, E.C., in the presence of Mr. GEORGE HENRY BURNETT, Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

4289

5522

5545

4588

4607

4676

3540

3560

3569

3665

3710

3723

3749

For £100 Sterling each, = £31,400.

W. W. VENN, Junior,

Notary Public.

London, 19th October, 1880.

LOAN OF 1874.

cember current of the above LOAN,

Cur the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION,

Agents Issuing the Loan,

Hongkong, December 28, 1880,

NOTICE.

MENTLEMEN and LADIES of Hong-

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

F. VINCENOT, *

4, Peel Street, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 28, 1880. ja6

CARD.

TR. A. HAHN'S DANCING CLASSES

IVI. have been Re-opened on the lat

BAILORS' HOME,

NY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOMS, or

Eletcher's Buildings.

Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

Cornhill, E.C.,

(Signed) GEO. H. BURNETT,

Accountant.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN Hongkong, December 30, 1880. 3375 33923414 3439



STEAM FOR * SOUTHAMPTON, AND LONDON;

NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship 1234 MIRZAPORE, Capt. A. PARISH, with Her SUEZ CANAL, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th January, at 4 p.m.

IONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Countersigned, 2 Pope's Head Alley,

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the

THE COUPONS falling due 31st Detogether with the LONDS-DKAWN for Re-Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Comdemption, will be l'aid at the Ulive of this CORPORATION on and after that Date.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUGHING

and at the Coast Ports are respectfully Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURY, reminded that I am always prepared to -DAY, the 13th January, 1881, taking Supply the best quality of best FRENCH STURES, such as PRESERVES, WINKS, SPIRITS, LIQUORS of the finest quality and from the best Manufacturers in kurope. At the same time I would beg to thank my Customers for their kind favor and support, and wish them the Compli-

ments of the Season. Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and

will be received at the office until 6 p.m. same day ; all Parcel Packages should be No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of he Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

PAPARE will be thankfully reveived at the Sailow Rome, West Point, Hongkong, December 30, 1880.

Intimations.

TITUIS HAIR WASH has been prepared by us for the last 20 years. Its sale is steadily increasing in India, the Straits and Japan. It possesses all the qualities of a Hair Oil or Pomade without their stickiness. It induces a healthy action of the scalp and nourishes the Hair. Dandruff never appears whilst it is in use. It contains none but the best ingredients, and the greatest cars is taken in the compounding. When the Hair falls off after fever or any other sickness, this Wash will surely prove of the greatest value.



DIRECTIONS. A small portion to be poured upon the Head, and to be rubbed into the roots of the Hair, No Pomade required.

From its great nourishing power on the 5670 follicles it may in time cause Hair to return to its natural color; it, however, does not contain a particle of any dyeing ingredient. Using it constantly will most certainly pre-5723 | vent the Hair falling. It is cleanly in use 5748 the smallest quantity sufficing. It has no sediment, and therefore requires no bhaking. J. LLEWELLYN & Co.,

> Hongkong-Agents: LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. DYNAMITE, FUSES, DETONATORS,

FROM NOBEL'S FXPLOSIVES CO. LIMITED, GLASGOW, can be had in any Quantity on application to 5935 THE BORNEO Co., Dd., Agents.

> Hongkonz, March 8, 1860. THE WONDER OF THE WORLD. Good News for all I PROF. HERMAN'S WORLD RENOWNED VERMIN DESTROYER!

Which is known to be Far Superior to Apything yet discovered for killing Rats, Mice, Insects on Poultry, Ants, Bugs, Cook-roaches, Black Beetles, Flean on Dogs, Blight and Insects on Plants Moths in Furs, Tick or Scab on theep or

Goats, also on Cattle, &c., &c. This preparation has been applied with great success against the Insects that attack the Cuffee Plants, and would doubtless be equally efficacions with the Tea Plants. SULD IN PACKETS. At One Shilling per packet; or six Packets

for Five Shillings. The Powder is warranted free from all bad smell, and will keep in any climate. It may be spread anywhere without risk, as it is quite harmless to Cats or Dogs, as

they will not est it. DIRACTION FOR USE ON EACH PACKET. MANUFACTORY :-GRAVEL LANE, Houndeditch

CITY OF LONDON, ENGLAND. The above discovery has gained for Professor Herman a Silver Prize Medal at the Inter-Colonial Exhibition of Victoria. Australia, of 1866, besides numerous Tesimonial. Hongkong Agents: - F. BLACKHEAD & Co.

Insurances.

W. CRUICKSHANK, Victoria Dispensary.

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THE INTERNATIONAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED OF LIVERPOOL.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS of the above Company, are prepared to grant Policis on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Bongkong, Nov. 27, 1880.

> QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent to \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premis. NORTON & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG, GENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of

A China and Japan, and at Singapore, Salgon and Penang. Rinks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports. NO CHARGE FOR POLICY PERS.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871,

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1880.

Insurances.

LE-CERCLE-TRANSPORTS.

SOCIETÉ ANONYME D'ASSURANCES

MARITIMES, MARSEILLE.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, ... 15,000,000 France

CAPITAL PAID-UP, 3,750,000 do.

RISKS to all ports of the World.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

AGENTS of the above Company, are

Not Responsible for Debts. Jether the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during P.M.] their stay in Hongkong Harbour :-ANNIE S. HALL, American barkentine, Captain C. H. Nelson. - Wieler & Co. CATHARINE, German brig, Captain A.

CEVIALE, German barque, Capt. Nissen. Stemssen & Co. URANIA, German ship, Capt. R. Molsen.

Bulling .- Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALP, Br. bque , Capt. A. McIntyre. - Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Java, Dütch steamer, Capt. J. de Ridder. -Geo. R. Stevens & Co. CHAMRON KAMRYE, Siam, barque, Capt.

To-day's Advertisements.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

A. Pederie. - Yuen Fat Hong.

MARITIMES. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Ex Amazone. R. & Co., 225, Order, 1 case, from Mar-

Ex Anadyr. H. B. M. Consul, 2 cases Stationery, from H. S., 2589/90, 2 cases Colours, Order, from Marseilles.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Hongkong, December 31, 1880.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALE Dec. 31, Diamante, British steamor, 514, R. F. Cutlen, Amoy Dec. 80, General .-

RUBBELL & Co. Deo. 31, Hedvig, British barque, 375 Carl Frahm, Chefuo Dec. 24, General.-SIEMSBEN & Co.

Doc. 31, Pernambuco, British steamer, 343, W. Hide, Saigon Dec. 24, General. MELCHERS & Co.

DEPARTURES. 31, Ningpo, for Shanghal, 31, Cadet, for New York. 31, Tunis, for Salgon. 31, Charlton, for Tamaul.

OLEARED. Valvaraiso, for San Francisco. Hainan, for Hollow, dra. Chin-tung, for Shaughal. Catharine, for London, Kwangtung, for Coast Ports. -Yottung, for Swatow.

Diamante, for Manila.

PASSENGERS. Per Diamante, from Amoy, 70 Chinese. Per Pernambuco, from Saigon, 124 Chi-

DEPARTED. Per Ninppo, for Shanghai, Capt. Bayly. Fer Tunes, for Saigon, 420 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Diamante reports: Had light Northerly winds and flue weather to Breaker Point; theuce to port, moderate N. E. mons ion and cloudy weather. The British barque Hedvig reports: First part moderate N.W. breeze and fine 1

weather; latter part moderate N.E. mon-The British steamer Pernambuca reports Left Sargon on 24th at 4.45 a.m.; arrived in Hongkong at 5 p.m. on Blat. Experienced st. ong N.E. monsoon and heavy head

sea throughout. CARGO.

Per S. S. Oceanic, sailed Dec. 30th :-For Yokohama, 1,962 bags kine, 480 bags White augar, 400 bales Yarn, and 1,573 page. Merchandise; for San Francisco, 34,233 bage Rice, 19,501 bage Sugar, 200 baga Coff.e, 186 baga Beans, 110 baga Sago, 18 bags Tapicoa, 119 boxes Nutmegs, 200 cases Nut Uil, 37 cases Opium, 12 cases Cigars, 11 cases Crude Opium, 1 case Silks 1,740 Empty Flanks, and 2,017 pkgs. Merchandise; for Panama, 600 bags Rice, and 15 pkgs. Merchandise; for Acajutla, 5 cases Silk Goods ; for St. Louis, 3 pkgs, Merchandise; for Uncinatti, 1 case Uigars; for Chicago, 1 pkge. Merchandise; for Boston, 10 pkgs. Mercuandise; for New York, 148 bales Raw Sirk, 10 can s bilk Goods, 44 half-chests Tes, and 21 pkgs. Merchandise.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For SHANGHAL .-

Per Les Yuen, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 2nd mst. For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, COLOM-BO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, AND EUNOPE via TRIESTE.

Per Mars, at 3,30 p.m., on Monday, the 8.d inst For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND BOMBAY.

LAND, COUKTOWN, TOWNSVIL-MELBUURNE, dothe 4th Jan.

For BANGKOK Per Rajanattianuhar, at 6 p.m., on Tuesday, the 4th Jan. FOR YOK HAMA via KOBE .-Per Nilgata Maru, at 5 p.m., on Friday,

the 7th Jan.

MEMOS, FOR TO-MORROW

Shipping. Daylight.—Kwangtung leaves for Cosat

Miscellaneous. Local Banks close. Insurance ('ffices close.

MEMOS. FOR SUNDAY

prepared to graft Policies on MARINE RELIGIOUS SERVICES :-

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL. - Rev. W. Jennings, M.A., Coloniai Chaplain. Morning Service II, Evening 5.45 (a abort service). Holy Communion every Sunday, exc pt the 2nd and 4th in the month. Military Service .- Roy. O. Gilbert Booth, B.A., Military Chaplain. Parade Service

at 8 A.M. Holy Communion on the second

and fourth Sundays at the conclusion of

the Parade Service. [A Voluntary Service

is held in the Garrison Theatre at 7.45

-Rev. Dr. Chalmers. ST, PETER'S CHURON, for SEAMEN, &c. -All the Seats are free.

ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHUBCH,-Rev. Grandy, and Rev. Lo Sam Yuen. (All Services in Chinese.). Morning Prayer :- Litany, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, at 11 a. M. Bible Class, at 3 r.M. Preaching, at 6.30 P.M. Holy Communion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month. BEBLIN FOUNDLING HOUSE. - Service in

the German language, by Pastor K. Klitzke, every Sunday, at half-past ten A.M., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, Sr. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, Garden Road,-8 A.M. Mass and Sermon. 6 P.M. Evening Service, Benediction.

> MEMOS. FOR MONDAY Shipping

3 p.m .- Mars leaves for Singapore, Pen ang, dra. 4 p.m. - Avoca leaves for Bombay.

General Memoranda. TUESDAY, January 4:---Daylight. - Hailoony leaves for S'tow, &c.

Verandaha received by Naval Store-Noon. -Brisbans leaves for Port Larwin Thursday Island, &c. WEDNESDAY, January 5 :--

Noon. - French Mail leaves for Ports o

Call and Europe.

Dr. Eiter's residence.

4 p.m. - Annual Distribution of Prizes at the Victoria School. FRIDAY, January 7:-2 p.m -- Auction of Household Furniture

at the residence of R. Descon, Esq. No. 1, College Gardens. SATURDAY, January 8 :-Daylight .- Mitau Bishi Mail leaves for Yokohama, do.

2 p.m. -Auction of Furniture at Rev.

WEDNESDAY, January 12:-4 p.m -English Mail leaves for Ports Call and Europe. THURSDAY, Jacuary 13:-

American Mail leaves for Yokohama San Francisco.

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MANUFACTURERS Water, Lemouade, Tonic Water Gingerade, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla Water, and other Acrated Waters. The Manufactory is under direct as

continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876 PASSENGERS arriving in Hongkong, or any other persons who may desire to consult the files of local, China, Japan, American, English, Indian or Australian newspapers, are invited to call at the "CHINA MAIL" Office, where over sixty newspapers, dailies and weeklies, from these countries, are now filed for

reference. The publication of this issue commenced at 8,45 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DEC. 31, 1880. THE concluding portion of Dr. Chalmers' letter on the "Interminable Question,"

published yesterday, is suggestive. W do not propose, on this the last night of the year 1880, to enter upon a discussion of the worn-out Term Question, even had we the ability, but merely desire to record a protest against the mode of fighting here adopted by portion of the clerical fraternity. There is a lamentable tendency now rampant in this part of the world to throw aside sound old English rules. "A fair field and no favour " seems now to be but too Per Avoca, at 3.80 p.m., on Monday, the often utterly forgotten. The straightforward, stand-up fighting of the good For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY 18. old times is falling into disuse, and a contemptible, Jesuitical, and underhand LE, KEPPEL BAY, SYDNEY, system of unmanly dodging is fast taking its place. These are strong expressions; Per Brisbane, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, and are made up of words which do not commonly find a place in a grave piece of comment; but they are fully justified by much that is known in these misgoverning days of ours. Whether it be that the force of surrounding diroumstances, the effects of climate, or the

badness of a given argument or policy, have anything to do with this unwholesome development, it is difficult to say. But whatever the Hongkong community has to object to in the political system under which they now "groan and sweat," or in the exceptional applications of that system at the present time, they naturally look for something better, something higher, something manlier, from gentlemen of the clerical profession. Men who are set up over their fellows, from whom (whether rightly or wrongly) much is expected, are those whose example it is deemed right and proper to follow. But sad to say, there never was a greater need than now to strive to walk honestly in the sight of all men independently of the example of some of those who are conventionally regarded as the "shepherds of the sheep." As the interminable "Term" question is so well known, it is almost unneces-Union Church.-Morning Service, at sary to explain it here. Apart even from 11 A.M., Evening at 5 P.M. - Divine Service | the merits of the dispute, the tactics in Chinese, 2-3 P.M. every Sunday, with of the side now actively opposing Procommunion on first Sunday of every month, fessor Legge are sufficient to condemn any cause. The shuffling attempt to throw discredit upon Dr. Legge's Service at 5 P.M. Holy Communion after life-labour, because it breathes too Service on the third Sunday in each month. much of the spirit of freedom which is essentially the spirit of Christianity, is LONDON MISSION CHAPEL, Queen's Road a species of trickery which would be West,-Hongkong Christian Association condemned unmercifully in non-clerical Service for Seamen, Sunday and Thursday, circles: and it is the profound respect we naturally feel for the honest sections of the clerical body in China which prompts a similar condemnation of this novel project to advance the interests of Truth! It is well known that Dr. Legge's views on Chinese Monotheism were looked upon with suspicion by many of these missionaries in China who are celebrated more for their narrow views than for their philological achievements; and that these men, by a trick, excluded the learned sinologue's paper on Confucianism at the Missionary Conference at Shanghai. Of a piece with the Shanghai fiasco, may be regarded the endeavour of this same party (with the aid of one or two "Romanists," as Dr. Chalmers has termed them) to undo the work of Dr. Legge, by addressing a private "despatch" to Professor Max Müller, remonstrating with that learned philologist against the translations and opinions of the Professor of Chinese at Oxford. The published letter of "Inquirer," about which so much has been Noon. - Tenders for Repairs to Roof of said and written, was comparatively honest. It was given to the world on this side, and sent to Max Müller openly. But "the two or three known and the score of unknown" missionaries have banded together to do a very different 'thing," and have been guilty of what vulgar people call "hitting below the belt;" and well all know what that means. In secret these men told Max Müller in effect that Dr. Legge was a mistranslator and a man-of dangerous doctrines, with whose views but few men in China felt any sympathy. Is it too much to say that, in addition to doing this thing stealthily, the nature of the thing itself can scarcely be characterised? It certainly was not the Truth which these rev. gentlemen are now accused of baying represented. We have Dr. Chalmers and others, as well as personal experience, to tell us that it was very far from veracity. What then can be thought of men who would do such things ? and what are we to say of the cause which is pushed to desperate hazards like these? Truth must prevail; but how about underhand dealing in the professed interests of Truth? We are inclined to think that "M: x Muller and men of his stamp will be perfectly able to see through this new method of elucidating the eternul verities, and are quite willing to leave that learned man to form his own opinion. Similar tactics have, we learn, been adopted towards the British and Foreign Bible Society, an association that his done an incalculable amount of really good work in the good cause ; and the injury to the best and the truest of missionaries in China might be great. It is true that letters have previously gone home to this body from discontented and aggrieved ecclesiastics which have not effected the complete revolution that was intended. But at the same time, it may be in the interests of the Society mentioned and of the cause of Truth were the greatest wariness shown in the consideration of the representations of those who, slike regardless of a life spent in faithful mission work and of classical scholarship that is unequalled in China, have cast stones at the man of all other men who has, as even Dr Chalmers

> [SUPPLIED TO THE " CHINA MAIL."] er E. R. A. & O. Telegraph Co.'s Line.

GREATLY EXACGREATED. London, Dec. 29. Reinforcements are being sent to the

It is stated that the disaster to the 94th Regiment has been greatly exaggerated.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The next FRENCE MAIL may be expected to are rive here on Tuesday, the 4th January, by the M. M. Steamer Peido. She brings dates from London to Nov. 25th. The hext AMBRICAN MAIL may be expected to

arrive here, per P. M. S. S. City of Tokto, on the 7th or 8th January. WE are informed by the agent of the M. M. Uo, that the S. S. Peike left Seigon for

Hongkong to-day at noon, Marks for Bangkok close at Singapore at 2 p.m., t -morrow, and at room on the 2nd

January 1881.

To MORROW, being New Yours Day, thuse will be no issue of the China Mail, and the tare this opportunity of wishing all our friends and patrons . A happy now hear.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

admits, placed Protestant missionaries

under an everlasting obligation to him

for leading them so wisely and heroical-

ly in the slippery paths of Chinese phi-

REINFORGEMENTS TO THE CAPE! THE DIR-ASTER TO THE 94TH REGIMENT.

a division was made of the Offertory funds which had accumulated since Easter. Scripture Reader for services rendered, the expenditure of \$90 in new hassocks for the Chancel, and some minor expenses, had reduced it to \$523.40, which was thus

divided,-To the Bishop of Victoria for Missions,. Cathedral funds, Diocesan Home and Orphanage, Seamen's Chaplaincy fund, ... Naval Scripture Reader, ...

CRICKET.

HONGRONG C. C. V. THE RAYY. This match, which was commenced yesterday, was continued this morning, Mesars Bridges and Hynes, who were "not out yesterday continuing their innings, and the first named gentleman was not disposed of until he had knocked up within six of enough to be a good one, as the "Navy" ting than they had done in the field. of the bowling of the Club team deserves mention, Mr Tomes having bowled 28 halls for eight runs and seven wickets, and Mr Barff 25 balls for six runs and three wickets. Appended are the scores :-

W. P. Bridges, o Moffatt, b Mitchell, ...94 mortgage, and he was happy to stare highest bidder. H. H. Taylor, b Guboins, 0. H. de C. Forbes, o Penny, b Gubbius, ... 75 period within which that loan should be conded ... S. W. Lane, R.A., b Mitchell, W. Hynes, c Lyne, b Penny, v.84 J. J. Purdon, e Mitchell, b Moffatt,27 J. P. Fall, R.A., o Campion, b Penny, ... 22 H. F. Whyte. b Campion. 8 Byes, 14, leg byes 1, wides, 30, no

Wickets fell,-1 for 13, 2 for 159, 3 for 169, 4 for 231, 5 for 245, 6 for 250, 7 for 286, 8 for 290, 9 for 313, 10 for 334.

MAVY. 1st Innings. W. Penny Comus. run out ... W. Lynn Curacao, b Hynes, G. Gubbing Flying Fish, b Hynes, Mr F. Newington Victor Emanuel, b J. Galpin Modeste, b Bridges, G. Neville Comus, at White, b Forbes, - Moffatt Curacao, b Forbes,..... F. Mitchell Comus. b Hynes. J. Campion Modeste, not out - Etelstone Iron Duke, b Tomes,...... W. Warren Kestrel, o Lane, b Barff, Byes 2, leg byes 2.

Wickets fell,-1 for 0, 2 for 3, 3 for 21, 4 for 24, 5 for 30, 6 for 40, 7 for 43, 8 for 45, 9 for 75, 10 for 76.

2nd Innings. W. Lyne, b Tomes, J. Campion, b Tomes, W. Penny, c and b Tomes. J. Galpin, b Barff, F. Newington, o Law, b Tomes,...... G. Neville, b Tomes,.... J. Mitchell, b Barff, Kthelstone, b Tomes, W. Warren, not out,.....

Wickets fell, - 1 and 2 for 7, 3 and 4 for 9, 5 and 6 for 10, 7 for 16, 8 and 9 for 17,

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

An extraordinary meeting of chareholders of the above Company was held to authorise the Directors to purchase the docks, goodwill, plant, property, and which he had alluded. stock-in-trade of the Cosmopolitan Dock what manner payment for the same shall

W. Keswick; presided, and there were would put an end to this arrangement also present the following shareholders, or whether the negotiations would be -Mesars MacIver, Reiners, André, and then regarded merely as suspended. Manger, and H. C. Haswell (Directors), The Chairman said that in the event Hon. Pr Ryrie, and Messrs H. Smith, of the resolution not meeting with the Champeaux, A. E. Vaucher, C. S. Taylor, approval of this meeting and of a motion N. J. Ede, Mosely, Sassoon, C. P. Chater, for an adjournment being carried he W. K. Hughes, Vernon-Vernon, Mac- believed the effect would be to jeopar-Culloch. MacUlymont, Innes, D. R. dise the arrangement with the other Crawford, H. N. Mody, J. da Costa, Company which was embodied in the Tavares, and D. Gillies, Secretary resolution which he had placed before There were also a number of shareholders' the meeting. How far it might affect proxies tabled, and altogether there were the possible arrangement for a working represented 1.191 shares. The meeting agreement he could not say. For h was, however, delayed for some time own part he had considered, since the until the number qualified it to proceed agreement had been made to purchase to the business in hand (1,000 shares) that the previous negotiations were at could be received, and several members an end. How far the rejection of this had to be beaten up before that could proposition by the present meeting

The Secretary of the Company having read the notice convening the meeting, course open for the shareholders at this The Chairman said that the notice set meeting, no option, but to refuse or forth the object for which the directors sanction the purchase. had asked the attendance of the shareholders to-day. As they were well that that was the position. aware. the competition within recent Mr Ede replied that that then was years in the work of the Dock Company he had to say. had been such as to reduce the earnings from this species of industry here in which has been proposed by the Chairsuch a way as had been unsatisfactory man, to them as shareholders and a source of Mr Taylor was very sorry to put his has just left. Evidence went to prove that anxiety to the Directors as the managers views forward in opposition to those of their affairs. Endeavours had been which had been recorded by the Dimade to come to some understand- rectors, but he was of opinion that if the ing. and some proposals had been Company saddled itself with a debt like made in that direction, coming that which it was proposed to incur and taken the form of a working agreement; pay any dividend, were to go in for exthese were unavailed of was a source of Company, and the appearance of the got stronger and a working agreement Sands' Slip and the erection of the was proposed; but the feeling amongst Cosmopolitan Dock. He had the Directors was that, whereas that sources of information save the printed t would not endure, and that there were | to the year 1871, 1874, he suggested that

AT an informal meeting of the Trustees of in it the elements of dissension which the probable earnings of the Company St. John's Cathedral, held on the 30th inst., might possibly land them in as bad if would be much the same as in these years, not a worse position than that from \$700,000, which would be a profit of which they had extricated themselves, 25 per cent. It was the difference then, They had now succeeded in arranging and it might be now, of 18 per cent. be-The amount contributed was over \$700, for the purchase of the property of the tween the rate at which they could horbut an interim grant of \$50 to the Naval Cosmopolitan Dock Company at the row money and that rate of profit, which terms which were set forth in the ad- encouraged opposition. He suggested vertisement. This Company acquired that, to raise the money required to the whole property of the opposition for carry out the transaction with the oppo \$400,000, in addition to which they sition, of which the Chairman had inwould pay for the steam-launches and formed them be raised by the issue of new material in stock at valuation. The terms | stock. He also referred to another .. \$148.40 of payment were that \$200,000 should be point. They had all heard some talk of paid on their taking possession and the a saggestion or offer that had been balance at three months after that date.

also at the same time the value of the launches and material taken over. \$528.40 order to allow of their taking up these nagement of the Company himself. He payments the Directors proposed now dared say that this was made with the the addition to the capital of the Company of \$250,000 in 2000 shares \$125 each; that they should not be allowed to issue these shares at less than ten per cent premium, and the it in this way. If the Chairman shares to be issued at such premium over | took up the proposed issue and gave and above that as the Directors might then \$360,000 for it, no doubt in the find expedient and practicable. The Di- course of a year or two he would make rectors were of opinion that it would be a good thing of it, and the shareholders an advantage were the present shares might then consider the advisability of his century. The match was not equal subdivided, and had now in contem- entrusting his firm with the management plation notifying the shareholders that of the Company. Something of the kind unfortunately made no better show at bat they desired them to meet together, must be done, because the duties of might be in Court. which they would do for that purpose in | Secretary and Manager in such an inan extraordingry meeting to consider stitution as this promised to develope the advisability of so sub-dividing the shares, making the capital \$1,250,000 in enough for one man. Mr Taylor-con-10,000 shares of \$125 each. The balance of the Aurchase money of this property it was proposed to raise by at a fixed premium or by tender to the

that they could borrow the money. The repaid should be as short as possible in from six to eight years it ought all to be paid off. But that was a detail which had not yet been sattled with the lenders of the money. If this proposal received 18 the approval of the meeting he and the Board of Directors believed it would increase the dividends of the shareholders and add to the prosperity of the Company. The Chairman concluded

That this Company do purchase from the Cosmopolitan Dock Company Limited, the leasehold property, premises, buildings, dook, plant, engines, machinery and tools, together with the business and goodwill of the said Company, for the price or sum of \$400,000 Hongkong currency, and that this company do purchase the steam launches. and stock-in-trade of the said Cosmopolitan Dook Company at such price or sum as shall be determined upon by two valuators, one to be appointed by Messra Russell and Company for the said Cosmopolitan Dock Company and the other by the Directors of this Company, who shall in the event of any disagreement appoint an Umpire who shall determine the matter in dispute : and also that the Company do continue and carry on the said business at Tai Kok Tsui.

And that the said purchase money to be paid by this Company to the said Cosmonolitan Dock Company Limited for the said Duck, premises, stock-in-trade, chattels and effects be raised partly by the issue of two thousand new shares of one hundred and twenty-five dollars each at such rate as the Directors may agree upog, but at not less than ten per cent. premium, to which the present shareholders of this Company shall have the preference, and partly by raising loan of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars bearing interest at the rate of seve

per cent. per annum. Mr Ede wished to know whether he would be in order, before the motion was put, in asking a question: was this the proper time?

The Chairman : Certainly." Mr Ede's question was whether the proposed arrangement to which the hairman had alluded was still open to the Company, or was it too late to do anything save what the Chairman pro-

posed in his resolution. The Chairman thought it was now too at the registered office, No. 14, Praya late to go back; but if the meeting did Central, this afternoon (31st), for the not approve of the resolution now before purpose of passing special resolutions it the Directors would do their best to bring about the other arrangement to

Mr Ede had a strong feeling that the Company, Limited, and to determine in other arrangement was practicable but. if it was not open now to make no sther he made, pursuant to Article 107 of the arrangement it was not worth while dis-Articles of Association of the said Com- cussing the advisability of that course. If that course were still open he would The Chairman of the Company, Hon. like to ask whe her an adjournment

would reopen them he could not say. Mr Ede said that there was then no

The Chairman agreed ; he apprended

Mr H. Smith seconded the resolution

rather from the other side than from which was to be paid off in six years it this Company. Some proposals had meant that the Company, if they were to the object of this Company had been cessive charges which was tantamount to acquire the property of the opposition, to inviting new opposition. The Comand there were indications that they pany's field was not at the present time could get the property. Some opportu- any better than at the time of the nities were lost of doing so, and that smalgamution with the old Union Dock regret to the Directors. The opposition field then led to the establishment of the might relieve the position temporarily reported, reading from which, referring

made by the Chairman, at one of the meetings of the Board of Directors, that In he was prepared to take over the mabest intentions, but naturally the shareholders asked themselves what they were to make out of it. He thought they might make something out into would assuredly become more than cluded by moving that there be a creation of \$300,000 fresh stock to be issued

This amendment Mr MacCulloch se-

With reference to one point Mr Taylor had mentioned, the Chairman desired to say that the Directors were not at all favour of any very considerable advance of charges. A reasonable advauct was most desirable because of late work had been done chosper here than it was done anywhere else in the world. A reasonable. legitimate and fair increase there might be and they would still be able to keep moving formally the following resolu- the charges lower than those for which the same work could be done in any part of the East; and he believed that they would be able to conduct a profitable business on that basis. They had a debt but they had every reasonable prospect. he believed, of clearing off that and giving too, a very fair dividend to the shareholders. Such was his own opinion and it was the opinion of the other members of the Board. He wished it to be distinctly understood that the Directors were not in favour of any considerable increase of charges. They thought it would be detrimental to the interests of the Company

> The motion, as given above, having been seconded, reduced to writing and Mr Andre pointed out that the proposal the Directors had made required

to do so. (Hear hear.)

Mr Taylor : But that would be stock.

That would be used up. The amendment was then nut amusement lost; no hand was held up for it and the seconder voted against it. Mr Taylor asked whether the Directors had made any estimate of the

amount of earnings that would be available for distribution as dividend, The Chairman said he had made an estimate and they had no doubt all made estimates, but they had made no esti-

mate which they were prepared to make The resolution was then put to the

meeting and carried unanimously. There was no other business before the

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. M. S. Tonnochy.) Friday, Dec. 31.

ALIBORD ASSAULT ON A CONSTABLE. John Soulien, 22, private in ci. M. 27th Regiment was flued two dollars for striking P. C. 508, an indian Constable. The constable it appeared wanted to take delephant to the Police Station because he had a shirt in his hand, which the P. C. conel ded must be stolen. The soldier naturally objected, as he was admitted to be soper at t e time and a struggle ensued, in which, defendant stated, he was first struck by the constable.

> (Before the Hon. Ng Choy.) UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Tang Ayip, 3J, nawker, was convicted of being in possession of two pawn-tokets relating to scolen property on the 29th

A hawker named Lam And, identified the property which the pawn tickets represented, two jackets, a pair of shoes, and a purse, as belonging to him, and he had seen the defendant offering the tickets for sale in the Queen's Kond. The defendant was ordered to find scourity in two sureties of \$25 each, to be of good be aviour for three months, in defaut to be committed for fourteen days.

PUBLIC GAMBLING. Lo Aping, 22, tarmer, and nine others. appeared on a charge, remanded from the 28th lustant, of public gambling at house ourt himself. He was so much injured nambling house, and he was fined \$50, in default to be imprisoned for two months with uard labour. The first and second decend auta were convicted of aiding and abotting itt a misdemeanour, and were fined \$50 each, or two months imprisonment with hard shour, and the other defendants, for handing a publing gambling house, were fined \$5 649h, with the alternative of fourteen days' imprisonment with hard labour. A tum of \$10 to be paid to two informers

in the case, out of the flats when paid. Supplying funds to a gaod inmath: Ip Wing Kai, 52, opium dealer, was fined to, in default to be imprisoned for fourceen days with hard labour, for giving 18 cents to a convict in Victoria Gaol. The prisoner was working in the compound outside the gool, when defendant three parcel to him, which was found to contain

SUPREME COURT. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. Before His Honour, the Puine Judge, F.

Snowden, Esq.) Friday, Dec. 31.

THE P. & O. COMPANY & BURNIE, \$200. This was a suit brought to recover the rum of \$200 which it was alleged defendant agreed to pay to the plaintiff for towing a steam launch from this cort to Singapore. . Johnson, (of Measts Sharp, Toller and Johnson) appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr Stephens (of Mesers Stephens and H lmes) appeared for the defendant. Mr Johnson opened the one at some

oth and indicated the evidence which the would lav before the Court. This was action he said, for \$200 for towing a steam-launch to Singapore by the P. & O. at amor China. The steamhunch built by the bankrupt firm of log is & Co.-Gis Lordship : And what Is the defence. Mr. Stephens said the defence was that

Capt. Burnie was acting merely under the instructions of the agent here and that in his dealings with the plaintiff as gave the name of both his agent and his principal. Plaintiff had communication with the agent here and knew all along that his client, Capt, Burule, was merely icting as an avent. He might, as defendant's solicitor, have to refer in the course of the case to the file in the matter of the bankruptcy of Mesure Inglis & Co., which he desired

culty in that.

was built by the bankrupt from of Inglis tinisted by the thoial assignee after the adjudication. When it had been finished Laptain Burnie saw Mr Wooding on behalf of the P. & O. Company and came to s me arrangement to have the launch owed down to Singapore. At first the proddria but for some reason or other slie did not leave for Singapon by that opportunity. Then he made an arrangement here.—that the Company should be paid \$400 if she arrived at Singapore safely recovering from Captain Burnie. arrived safely at Singapore or not. hunch was lost, and the plain iffs now claimed from Capt. Burnie the smaller amount, \$200. In making this agreement as would appear from the endeuce of Mr Woodin, O ptain Burnie made himself dis- and was not liable himself. tinetly personally responsible. He named no principal or friend for whom he was loting. He only said the money would be paid here. In fact it would have been paid at once, but that they did know whether \$200 or \$400 would have to be paid. Mr Woodin would tell the Court that nothing was mentioned at the time of the agreement as to his being simply Woodin and asked him to sollest the money

was to collect the money, repudiated the whole thing, and said that nobody here had the alightest right to enter juto any cont act of the kind for him. After a currespondence, which had failed to get the money, this suit was brought. That was the short history of the cate.

and had a letter back that the consigner

from whom Captain Burnie had said he

Mr Woodin said : I am in assistant in the P. & O. Company here, and have been here twenty years. I know Captain Burnis. I remember him coming to see me about the towing of a launch to Singapore About March of this year he came to me and said he wanted the launch towed down to Singapore : it was first agreed that she should be towed down by the Adria. He said that if we towed her down safely we should receive \$400; but if any accident of the owner of the launch, had incurred training under foreign drill sergeants. occurred or if she bat to be out adrift, he liability. it would be \$200. There was no other person present. I am not certain whether any name was mentioned as a responsible party. but I don't think so. The hunch was not ready for that ateamer. Karly in June he made the same arrangement for the China towing her down. He said the money would be paid here. Sire. went away from here in towoof the Oltimas She was awamped and sank within two or three days from Singapore, after the men had been taken out of her by the China Before the aunch left. Captain Burnis came to me and said the money, was in the hands of Mesers Brereton & Wotlon having been warded by the Court. Afterwards, after the steamer had sailed: I wked Captain Burnie, by note, whether he was aure the money was to be paid here; in answer he told me that they (Means Brareton & Wot ton) wanted the mon y to be collected Singapore. The codsignee vas to pay. telegraphed to our agent to that affect. The consignee repudiated the whole aff ir. I got a letter dated June 28th (produced) read and put in. The agent said he was informed by the consigues that the Captain of the launch had ogreed to bring her to Singapore for a certain sum, and there was no power given to any one to enter into ruch a contrac , and that there was nothing sbout towing her down in the agreement Captain Burnie made the agreement in his own name, and I did not look to any one else for payment. :

Oro sexamined: CaptainBurnle applied to me the second time about a week before the verselleft. I have no written memo random of what took place On the 18th June I wrote the letter produced. (The letter was to the effect that the China towed to Singapore a small steam launch which had her own grew and would steam all the but the tenth, Lo Asar, a tinsmith, were way.) I have submitted to me now a leterrested in the house by napector Lindsay | ten dated 14th June stating that the agent on the 27th instant, the latter prisoner, in the matter here wished the money to who was in the house at the time, having be collected at Singapore, When those letjumped out of a window into the street and term were written I did not know that Captain Barme was acting for somebody at that he could not run, and was captured in Singapore. We only knew Captain Burnis the street and sent to Hospit Dwhich he in the matter throughout. I knew from o nversation with Captain Burnie that the this man Lo Asan was the keeper of the launch was going to Mr Alegoff. There was no responsibility attached to the China In the phrase in my letter by "the avent in the matter here," I reler to Captain Burnie, I was informed by Capt, Burnie that the money was in the hands of Mosers Brereton and Wotton: Woonly renounized Capt. Burnie. (Referred to sletter of 26 b June) I see that I write to the soliditors of the consignee stating that the after agree- spirits" implied). Inquirer may even held ment was that the money should be paid that the "outside spirits" are exclusively at singapore and telling him that if it was referred to, in the expression in him. not paid there to let us know and that the matter would be settled here. After reading the letter of 28th June I say that as Capt. Burnie said that he wished the money to be recovered at Singapore we as a matter of courtery said we would instruct our avents to sudeavour to relever it there. Had the vessel arrived safely there, we would have considered oursilves as having a lied on her and would not have given her up unless the money were mid. We were

informed by Captain, Burnie that Messan Brereton and Wotton were in correspond ence with the consignes regarding the matter. We recognized nobouy in the transection save Capt. Burnie. I wrote to Capt. took place to day, instead of last Tuesday urnie asking him for the money on the 22nd July. We had previously tried to get Parade Ground before the Viceroy and the the money from the consigner at Singspore, Governor. The agent had applied to the consigner from them through Capt. Burnie. I underthe expense of towing her down. &c. understood that that sun was to be paid from creeping and lively parasites. Brereton and Wotton to be naid to us. I did know a few days before the savour of "Araby the Blest." agreement was made, that the consigner

friendly action. I presume that if this north side of the ground and decorated soilon succeeds against Captain Burnie, we with stage and drapery. This was the

was having a launch built here.

have been something said to that effect. and that it would be paid here on have certainly never been paid, but Alaskeff party. advices being received as to whether she had notually received the money to pay, an i although he has been applied to for

amount. The defendant never agreed to

pay the money; he went to make the af-

A letter was read from the Official At not bringing the launch down to Si gapore. the 9.h- r 10th June; Mr Wotton request | recruits that now form so many of our retow. Captain Burnie Wrote to or saw Mr Alaekoff. I went to the P. & O. office to do any amount of hard work. Fully triat the money was in the hands of Mesers to Singapore, and the terms were decaded rangements I returned to Mr Wotton's office and told him what had been done, Atterwards I went back to see Mr Woodin the matter, and under his instructions.

os.ieve that I did so.

omith's elercantile Law on the respon- of arms which must have been the result of studies of agents &s. and held that his car ful drill, and this, we were told, was chent, acting only on behalf of the agent | the work of 4 or 5 instructors who got their

Mr Johnson addressed the Court for the show we cannot say, but an outsiders' implaintiffs, asking for a verdidt on the ground that defendant was the only person who has we saw to-day would not be despised appeared in the arrangement for towing with a Col. Guidon at their head : whereas. the launch, and that se had not, according on the defensive, with some well-engineered to the evidence of his witnesses, given the earthworks and good heavy artillery, they hame of any one else as responsible, at the might make Kun Yam Shan as bot a place time the terms were agreed upon. His Lordship said no would consider the Plevns was found to be in the hands of the

question, and reserved indement.

was a claim for the pitouge of a vosel. Capt dayden told the man that a pilot was wanted and to some on board the Metgull at a certain hour. For one side it was contended that he thereby made himself responsible ; for the other side it was submitted that he acted only as an agout and in engaging the planniff, if he readily di engage nim, he d solved his principal she shereby freed himself from responsibility. sider-the question.

two pily, heard to-day. Me atephens speeded and showed that his rental, even with his paying the taxes was less by \$180 than the valuation (\$1,556 as ag lost \$1,685). Mr Northcote was satisfied that the reduction should be made and that was rich booty from the Chinese plains. A accordingly done. In the second case Mr. small consignment of watches from netitive appeared against the valuation at Mesers E. & W. Groschaude, Hankow, s60 a patch per angument his houses 5 and 7 \$504. They are tog on a five years' team. Chung-ch'ing, has been stopped by the Postinger Street, which only bring thim in dir Northeote had no objection to the Custom-house at Kwei-chou Fu. It is application ; he had reason to believe he not yet known here whether it is owing had valued these properties too highly. to the neglect of the carriers to produce The amendment applied for was ordered to the "transit pass," or the endeavours of

CORRESPONDENCE

THE INTERMINABLE QUESTION, To the Aditor of the "CHINA MAIL. Bir. I hasten to make a correction

regard to the one passage of Inquirer, where 告例 occurs, meaning "my objects worship." There is a distinction made in the context between 11 | iii outside spirits" which a man in office may sacrifice and "ancestors" (A) | imade on this point the Chinese Recorder, Vol VIII., page 74, and page 253.

writing from memory, I would call attention to the fact that my 20 cases on the other side, were increased to 73 subsequently by me in the last-named place in the

Yours, 1800.

Canton.

Wednesday, Dec. 29. A Tai-ts'o or grand review of troops week as previously announced, on the North

for the money. Letter read stating that of spectators had gathered together to see writer. Mr Woodin was given to the show. Officers and men were got un understand that the Captain of the laurch utterly regardless of expense and with the had undertaken to take the launch to Sings usual profusion of flags and banners pore for a stated sum: We were pover in glittering spears, bayonets and swords; it communication with Messre Brereton and was quite an imposing display. from a which I may have done, after the claim was of view, unfortunately for us foreigners, due. We never communicated direct with was the only point of view from which Meanra Brereton and Wotton; we heard anything could be seen. No nice drag or waggonetre as at home, where one might stood that a sum of \$600 was kept back for ait and smoke and see the fun with soft corps safe from trampling feet and clothes "great unwashed" was there-always ununderstood that that sam of money was washed when the thermometer gets below allowed by the Court, and paid to Mesan 700, and considering that this cold weather I has lasted about two months, it may be left the matter in the hands of Captain imagined that by this time he did not

There was no other way to see anything but by diving into the odoriferous throng and By Mr Johnson :- I have known Captain getting wedged in on all sides by unwashed Burnie for a long time. This is quite a ones. A matshed had been erected on the shall get the money from the Court through saluting point had there been any, but him. I did not know that the launch was strange to say the soldiers of this cerefor the consignee. I really thought it was monious people made not salute as they religious sects called the Pei-lien, and marched bast their viceroy. A company By Mr Stephens :- I remember meeting of black turbaned guards stood round the Kok-lao, and Teng-hua, are on the alert Mr Johnson, continuing, said the launch Mr Wotton in Queen's Read about the shed the inside of which awarmed with time the launch went down, and semething mandaring arranged in a semicircle at the and Cor or rather it was begun by them and was said about the Captain of the launch back, right, and left, of two tables where going out on his own account. I do not the Viceroy and Governor were seated i comember Mr Wotton saying that no solemu grandeur like two dumb images agreement was necessary, but there might with that same everlasting funereal rigid | provinces, are not likely to stand it much lace that these officials like to assume on longer, and will most likely demand Mr Stephens, in addressing the Court, such occasions. Perhaps there was an contended that Captain Burnis was merely occasional move of the head ridiculously posal was to to have her towed down by the aging under instructions from the Agent line that of a wax-work figure in Madame in Hongkong of the owner of the launch is Tussaud's show. It was said that this Singapore. The P. & O. here knew that shoppy display of majesty is get up to Captain Burnie was only acting as servant inspire beholders with awe. Perhaps it that she should be towed down by the P. for Mr Wotton, and it was only after the had that effect upon the fawning toadies -rapacious Officials, and in view of the de O: steamer China. The terms were complainants had failed to recover the that hung around their Excellencies' chairs; money at Singapore, that they thought of but unceremonious Britons did not feel it Mr much. The Obiness must have seen and \$200 if she did not. He also said Atsekuff had been allowed a sum of \$650 strange contrast when they peeped into the the money to pay for this was in the to provide for the expense of towing the adjoining tent and saw the free and easy hands of Messra Brereton and Wotton, lauuch down to Singapore. The P. & O. manners of the French Consul and hi

A military man could give you a better account of the review than a civilian is able payment had never been sued for the to do. About 3,000 picked troops passed before their Excellengies and went'through some simple evolutions, consisting of rifle rengements simply on behalf of Mr Wotton spear, archery and sword practice. The marching was about as bad as it could but then Chinese never do keep time either signee in the bankruptcy of Messre Luglis's in rowing or stepping until well coached by Co. to the Attorney of Alsekoff, proving a foreigner. Apart from this they were that \$650 were allowed for the expenses of decidedly the smartest and best drilled lot of soldiers I have seen on Chinese territory Capt Burnie, examined by Mr Stevent; as yet, and for physique they would no remember Mr Wotton sending for me on | doubt compare favorably with the stripling ed me to go to the P. & O. office to arrange giments at home. All we saw to-day were an agent for some other person. After about towing the launch to Singapore. Mr in the prime of youth, not a few were well the steamer had left, having the launch in Wotton told me he was sotting for Mr made and muscular fellows apparent y able and there saw Mr Woodin and told him half of them were armed with breech-loaders due for the towage from the consignee at that I had come from Mr Wotton to arrange | which we afterwards found were old Solders Singapore. He had told him previously about the towing of Mr Alackoff's launch bearing the mark "Tower 1869" on the lock plate. Several were much damaged Brereton & Wotton. Mr Woodin tels on. Nothing was said as to where the about the muzzle, but the men said "no graphed to Singapore to collect the money, money was to be paid. After making at fear." Every man seemed precious proud over his foreign gun, one follow assuring us. that his would 'kill dead' at a distance of air li. Their cartridges were very rough, to propose making some written agreement, cheap looking things, too rough to be of out Mr Woodin said it was too fate and coreign manufacture, yet a very good imita that he had seen Mr Wotton, who said so tion of the genuine thing if made by a Cross-examined by Mr Johnson :- I did had seen with the 10 feet matchlocks a day not tell Mr Woodin where the money or two ago. Urders were given by various was to be paid. The sauch left on signals, by the waving of flags, firing of a he 10th June. I cannot swear that mortar, the blowing of a couch which I cold Mr Woodin that Mr Wotton held a perved for bugle, the beating of a drum power of Attorney from Alsakoff, but and the ordinary word of command. There was a facility and uniform regularity in the Mr stephens, in summing up the case for execution of these orders both as to the the defence, read a versi extracts from movements of men and the manipulation

What a military man would say to this pression is that a few thousand such men for the kussians, if they came this way, as Turke.

The review is continued to-morrow, when OHRUNG FUNG v. HAYDEN, \$27 .- This | the Vicercy is to see some target practice.

NOTES FROM SZE-CHUAN. Chung Ching, Friday, Nov. 19.

I hear that Governor Ting has sent

some one to buy-arms at Shanghai or Hongkong, apparently determined not to encourage the establishment of foreign the Judge said ne would take time to qui- houses in the interior, as he might have obtained anything he wanted from & Co. at this port, with the APPEALS AGAINST THE VALUATIONS JOB usual passports and advance required in the Christians some justice for their l'AKATION PURPORES. -Of these there who doing the same business with foreign houses at Shanghai.—I have not heard a word of the Lo-lo and their doings of late, so I suppose they have retired to their mountain homes, loaded with the under "transit-pass," to- Mesny & Co., the underlings at the Custom-house to obtain a squeeze, that the goods have been stopped. Saturday, Nov. 20. There are in this city, four Yun-nan

houses, which together might furnish Governor Ting with a million of taels, but I believe they are little inclined in to do so; they now refuse to grant drafts on Hankow or Shanghai, and I am told that they have sent a considerable amount of treasure to Hongkong for safe keeping. If the Colonial Ufficials know their duty to the Colony. they will doubtless make these monied strangers welcome there, as they are very industrious and respectable people seeking an assylum out of danger's way. Some of the Bau Ch'uan rich fold may also endeavour to follow suit in this matter for the sake of preserving their But while acknowledging this alip in treasure, if they cannot save their lands. Large granaries are to be opened in every city, and one per dent of grain is to be levied from everyone to fill them: then there is the Tis 18,000 from every Hsien, to be levied by the Magistrate, and a proclamation is to be issued for

bidding any one trading under a foreign

Sunday, Nov. 21. A young friend of mine arrived here last night, on his way to Chieng-tou. where he is going like a "sheep to the slaughter," to marry a lady that he has The day was beautifully fine and crowds never seen, nor will he get a sight of her till he is wedded. He has already had two wives, but they are both dead, leaving him a child each. He belongs to a most respectable family, which has furnished many officers of renown to the Wotton, unless I stoke to Mr Wotton, Chinese point of view. The Chinese point | Empire under the present dynasty. One member of the family in particular, of whom some good and manly deeds are told, is a rare specimen of uparatness, and would do honour to any nation or society. The good people love and honour him, and the wicked fear him. His four sons promise to be an bonour to their father, and become useful members of Society. Trade is exceedingly dull at present, and everyone appears to ascribe the reason to the salt monopoly

by the Government.

Monday, Nov. 22 the anti-foreign spirit, now raging throughout the Empire, is not soon reined in, the authorities will have their hands full, in dealing out justice. on the reaking out of hostilities. The Ch'ing-ling Chao, and the secret societies just now : the Mahomedans have a long standing grievance to settle, and the unfortunate Christians, who have lately suffered so much persecution in various justice, in an unmistakeable manner before another year is over. Respectable people throughout the Empire will eagerly fly for protection to the bosom of the Church from the oppression of great number of brigands that are sure to appear on the breaking out of bostilities in any quarter. Russis need not bring many soldiers to the front; arms, money, and Officers, are all that is necessary to raise a million of men on short notice.

Tuesday, Nov. 23. The consignment of watches lately seized at the Kuei-fu customs has been allowed to proceed, the "transit pass" having proved satisfactory. T believe that natives who avail themselves of the passes also pay a little squeeze to the customs underlings for quick examination and they probably expected that the Foreigners concerned in this consignment would submit to the same squeezing. Mesny & Co. are determined to avail themselves of all the Treaty rights, and enforce the same, if necessary, by every means in their power, in order to gain the confidence of such foreign houses as may feel inclined to consign any goods to them, for sale, or send them orders for native produce such as Opium, Musk, Rhubarb, Silk, Oxhides, Ox and Deer Horns, Gallnuts, and Safflowers, Mesars E & U. Grosclaude, watchmakers at Hankow, have been the first to venture on the use of " transit passes," in a thoroughly legal manner. Years ago they sent a consignment of their wares agreement was not necessary. I stated Chinaman. Volley firing was done in here, then on to Kuei-yang, to the firm t at I was only acting for Mr Wotton in pretty good time and was a great improve of Mesny & Co., which was then doing ment upon the raudom shoosing which we | business in that City only. This is more of a central place for doing business throughout the West of China, under " transit passes" A curious affair has happened in

Chiang-pel Ting a city across the White River, opposite this, in the Chungching Fu; it is, in fact, the Deputy Prefectural city of this Prefecture. despatch was received some time ago, ordering the apprehension of a rich man in Churing pei, who was to be forwarded to Ch'eng-tu, without delay. The Chiangpei officials seized the man and squeezed him, they sent him on to the Provincial Judge at Ch'eng-tu, as directed by the Judge's orders expressed in the warrant for the apprehension of the said man. More than Tis. 5000 were squeezed out of the unfortunate individual named Wong I before he reached Ch'eng-tu, where the Provincial Judge expressed surprise at such a prisoner being brought forward under His Lordship's warrant. It is now pretended that the despatch and warrant for the apprehension of the man are false, and he has been released, but the persons who caused the apprehension have been taken and released also. It is most likely that the authorities have meddled with a "Hornet's nest" and wish to back out of it for foar of a revolution, the firms of which are smouldering barely out of sight. The authorities are now pretending to render

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Shanghai, demand. ... 80 days' alght, ... Gold Leaf, 99 fine ... Sovereigns, Temperature Queen's Road.)

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A DEDICATION! (From ' The Green Room.") Another year has passed away, And Fate has found your friends united To tell you stories of the Play Before the Christmas fire is lighted. We've travelled far, in many lands, Midsterain and roses, heat and heather, But hold us out your kindly hands, And let us settle down together !

Take us away to some snug nook, Tuck'd underneath your arm, my lady. Let firelight fall upon our book, Or autumn rays in gardens shady. When reading here of youth and age, The heart that wine, the love that misses Let fall one tear upon the page, Or cover it with secret kisses. .

We only want your sympathics In tales of love, despair, disaster, Wo'd bring the tear mists to your eyes, And made your hearts beat somewhat

Make us companions as you roam, And then our mysteries unravel ; Leave us in peaceful easo at home, Or take us with you when you travel.

We love to beg, when Christmas comes, The time of fancy and of fable ! So ask us will you?-to your homes And make as welcome at your table. The stage's glow like life departs, .Though of the world it is the centre Give us a welcome from your hearts, For that's the Green Room, we would

London, October, 1880.

THE NORDENSKIOLD EXPEDI-

HOW THEY SPENT THE WINTER.

The following extract from the Swedish newspaper Aftenbladet of Nov. 19, 1879, concerning the Swedish Arctic Expedition under Professor Nordenskield, has been translated for these columns :--

The Sunday of the 29th September, 1878, will become a day of very great importance to us. That day marks the end of our navigation during the year 1878, and that fact is principally due to the sudden change in the weather which took place at that time. The temperature of the atmosphere, had on the previous days been changeable, not very much, about + 0°: We had, therefore, no reason to suppose that we should be

suddenly frozen in yet. The day of the 29th September caused us to abandon our hopes of continuing our voyage during this autumn, the temperature fell now definitely below zero.

In consequence of the low temperature some new ice commenced to form about 2 inches thick between the old drifting ice floes, which were lying packed together and impassable as far as we could see, and that of course made the navigation more difficult. Palander made the Vega fast to some ground ice which lay in 5 fathoms of water and about 5.000 feet from the newest land. Some of us believed that we should soon get out, but really there were very few.

The thickness of the new ice increased standily and surely, because no heavy winds broke it up again. On the Is of October, it was already three inches thick, and a few days afterwards we of three corners, a magnetical instrument place the next day there was no mis- wished to fathom her secret, for a secret had our last botanical and zoological candles in the primitive wooden candlecovered with a slight fall of snow. We ceiling was suspended a continually had still during the first days oppor- burning lamp; at two sides of the room gress of realism is marking an epoch in feeling my way as best I could. She *tunities of having the pleasure of seeing an india-rubber air-bed with a hay pil-stage management, a little special atany other birds except ptarmigans, about ten rooks and as many sea-gulls which lived on the shore nearest to the neighhourhood of the tents of the Tschuktsches. The views all round did not express anything else than that often mentioned, but were simple and well-understood

monotonous Arctic scenery. In the middle of October, we could see during a few days, a regular sky covered with rain clouds, (vattenhimmel lit rain sky) in the N.E., which of course gave us hope of a possible quick release, but the following days' continually increasing cold, down ever to 20.8 below zero, and the thickness of the new ice very soon took away our hopes. The month of October with the comparatively slight cold and storms, not really worth mentioning, formed a passable and not too sudden change to what we were expecting, the long winter which became both extremely vold and stormy but nevertheless nothing unbearable. Snow-storms and cold did playing pippi spel (a Swedish game), was the result of four months' magnetical but when the snow once began falling, and meteorological observations. it did so incessantly and soon obliged one was very fond of.

The month of November made its ture of the atmosphere was at the same ourselves (seen from ourside) to a very monotonous life and with very little change, and in a very limited space.

we had prepared for a long time to re during the night that generally it was said, "Now, boys, I shall stand a real selves quiet." And the brute slung ceive him with due honour. The ship nearly impossible to distinguish the supper to-night; no pasteboard and himself on his bed, muttering to himself was moorede to the ground ice, three dark colour of the rope at a greater dis- parsley, but a real sheep's head, and a in his drunken semi-oblivion-"Cure strong cables which, according to every tance than from 32 to 40 paces. If little drop of real Scotch." A tumult of him, indeed! Not if I know it. "That's human calculation, could not by the you diverged in the slightest degree most violent storms and even not by from the regular pathway you did it with The manager was as good as his word, cough is worth a lot alone. Cure him, the strongest pressure of the ice, change a great risk of not recovering it again, for at night there was a real head well indeed! Not likely! which kept out the snow splendidly and which covered a certain large space which during the short days was a very

establish our observatory on shore.

demolished fortress: curious to say this pared to meet at any moment a Polar have it in every night. But, my child, was the only time that we felt any bear or some hungry wolves. in a state of passive mactivity.

in the best dock.

tical observatory was finished; it was one of our night walks we met a wolf. built of ice cubes which were sawn from but the danger was not greater than one the new-formed sea ice from its closer proximity to the shore. It took a long That was in the beginning of February time building because it was interrupted | that that happened, and we did not be from time to time by snow storms, and lieve the whole wolf's story, because wein fact by very bad weather. The in- imagined that the so-called wolf was terior, when it was nearly finished, was nothing more than a hungry. Tschuckvery simple but sufficient for the pur- tsche's dog which was looking about father. I was completely attenult. poses for which it was built. In each seeking food. But having explored the took a fancy to the little thing, and could walk on shore without any great was placed, in the middle of the floor take. It is therefore possible, although risk of falling through the different (which consisted of hard frozen-sand) a lit appears very incredible, that you can places where the new and weaker ice small table which supported three in pass the whole winter in the Arctic had formed. On the 4th October, we dientors screwed fast like scales, six regions without seeing a single-bear. excursion on shore, because after that sticks, some books and newspapers, and time the fround was frozen hard and two memorandum books, and from the some few migratory birds late in their low on which you could lie down, a few tention may not inopportunely be given passage (ducks lying in open holes in blankets and a sack made of the skin to the humanitarian branch of stage rethe ice out at sea and some snipe in the of the reindeer into which you could get alism - that of food, The old-days of holes in the fresh water lugoons), but when the cold was too intense, finally on pasteboard pie and wooden chickens are they went away very soon to more the fluor under the table some coffee and gone from good theatres-let us hope, hospitable shores, and from that time sugar, and in the fourth and last corner for ever. The real " veal and ham'er we did not see during the whole winter of the room, a small stove for the pur- in the interesting reproduction of "Dot" nose of making coffee in case of need, - at the Folly, was quite a success, and that was the whole arrangement of the brought the dinner-hour instincts of all interior. There was a small passage of present to the aid of histrionic effect. from four to five feet wide on one side I was much struck, not long since, by in which was a door which gave access the thoughtful consideration manifested to the room; the length of the passage by a charming young lady in a successwas four paces from there, to the side of ful opera bouffe, who took care that the the table was two paces; in one word, vast amount of real bread, which she the place where we had to walk was not had cut so gracefully, was ultimately longer than six paces.

servations in the ice-house, which were rations, and to whom the nightly addicontinued without interruption hour by tion to their present emolument may hour till the 1st April. From the 15th Ja have been of some little service. nuary till the 15th April, the meteorological observations continued to be taken the Lyceum, as a first piece, the old every five minutes for 48 hours on the Scotch drama of "Cramond-Brig," the 1st and 15th of the month. The usual various members of the company playing time 'observations' were divided into in the piece had full choice of wherewatches of six hours each, in which the withal to wash down their "heed and following gentlemen took part :- Hov- harrigles"-(of which, by the way, over quard, Kjeltman, Bore, Nordquist, a hundred were consumed during the Stukberg, Nordenskield, Palander, Bru- run), and the miller's supper became a sewitz, Alonquist, Nordstrom, and nightly jollity, except, perhaps, to the not prevent us from taking our walks Lumdgren, and in case of some of these | Scotch nobility and the king's huntsbetween the ship and shore, which were gentlemen not being able to assist Capt. men, who, with watery mouths and in the beginning taken every day by Nilsson or the Engineer Petterson, eager eyes, crowded the wings, forall of us, at certain fixed hours for exer- When we on the 1st April finished our bidden by the irony of dramatic fate to cise. We could also at the beginning observations in the ice-house, the net pass-our time in or enjoy skating and amount of observations was 42,840; that had been cleared away.

I could find the proper road.

dark walk. Concerning the warming, believe that many Arctic travellers are He looked surprised. She was so queen lighting and other comforts inside the of the same opinion. Against the cold earnest in her request, that I whispered ship, in the forecastle, work-rooms, gun- alone, you can preserve fourself by to her, "To-morrow, perhaps, if you room, and cabins, Palander had prepared warmth and suitable dress. We had want it very much, you shall have a everything in with such foresight as many time 40 degrees of cold and over; thimbleful. conduced to our comfort so well that the highest cold we had was 46 degrees nothing more could be desired. Our Calsius, but that was not insupportable. amulement, she produced from the pocket extra winter clothing was already dis- Generally as high a degree of cold at- of her little plaid frock a bright piece of tributed, such as thick gloves, canvas 40 degrees and over is combined with brass; and held it out to me. I said, coats, reindeer rugs, and canvas boots; calin, and when there is calin it is not so and many of us had already really tried very biting to be out a long time in the one or other of these different articles of open air; the warm clothing and necesdress. We were therefore, as before sary exercise neutralize the effect of the mentioned, well prepared to meet the cold, only the face, which must be un- thimbleful of whiskey if I wanted it, covered in order to see and breathe, runs It was originally our intention to creek the risk of being frost-bitten, after-a an observatory for magnetical and meter- certain time, but you soon learn how to audience laughed and applauded. I to-night." rological observations on the ice, in the resist that danger. But what you can looked over to the miller, and found him neighbourhood of the ship, but, as we not under any circumstances learn to with the but end of his knife and fork were under the impression that the ice resist is cold, snow and storm combined on the table, and his eyes wide open would close in and crush the ship and together; these three things form what gazing at us in astonishment. Howalso change her position, during the you call a snow storm; in a lower de- ever, we were both experienced enough winter time, we found it necessary to gree you call it a snow whirlwind or a to pass off this unrehearsed effect as whirlwind of snow. We had an oppor- part of the piece. I filled the thimble, The violent storms of the 1st Novem- tunity of making a long-and uninter- and the child took it back carefully to ber days gave us new proofs of our fears rupted acquaintance, with the snow her little "creepy" stool beside the of the future movement of the ice, whirlwind during the whole winter. I watched her, and presently because when after these stormy days The snow-storms commenced with us saw her turn ther back to the audience we recommenced our communications, early in the beginning of October, and and pour it into a little halfpenny tin with the shore, we had a splendid oppor- we expected that they would cease in the snaff-box. She covered the box with a tunity of studying the consequences of spring, but they continued far into May. bit of paper, and screwed on the lid the storms, increasing round our barrier One asks with reason how it is possible thus making the box pretty watertight, of ground ice, which was stranded about that the Tschuktsches, Esquimaux and and put it into her pocket. 700 paces from the Vega's wintering other people can live such a poor place. The newly-formed ice was in miserable life in such an inhospitable came forward, and parted the child greater or smaller cubes crushed up to climate. At the beginning we took all head. "Why, my little girl,"

perceptible changes in the ground ice We had seen traces of bears on the no! that would never do." during the winter, because, excepting lice already early in October, and the some trifling cracking in the newly- Tschuktsches told us that the wolves my word I won't!" she said, quite formed ice by the sudden change on the sometimes came down the coast and out carnestly, and ran to her dressing-room. temperature, our surroundings during on the ice. We were therefore always all the time before us, so to say remained armed with the Remington rifle or revolver and some spare cartridges in our always got her thimbleful of whiskey, This of course was naturally of great | pucket. We had never any serious | and her round of applause. And each advantage to our ship, which under such | meeting with them. We didn't see circumstances was as well sheltered as during our ten months long wintering a former safely in the snuff-box. I was

of our dogs being bitten in the ears.

"THE NEIGHBOUR'S BAIRN."

BY RENRY IRVING. At the present time, when the prodistributed to that portion of the French On the 27th November commenced army in the rear, who seemed to have our magnetical and meteorological ob- been hitherto inadequately supplied with,

When, a year ago, we produced at enter upon the scene until the supper

This piece reminited me of an incident. which came under my otice, a good Our daily walk to and from the ice- many years ago. In the off season of us to give up this pleasure which every house was carried out with very great a large provincial theatre, in which I difficulty. During nearly the whole winter was a stock actor, I took an engagement a compact mist of tine ice crystals, at a small town, then known as one of appearance with violent northerly winds, covered the ice, which on most of the most thriving seaports of the North. which made the new fallen snow ascend days made it impossible to distinguish The salary, was little; the parts were like a whirl wind which chased relent- the ship from the ice-house and still long, and there was not much oplessly the snow crystals over the smooth more impossible of course to distinguish portunity for gaining renown. How-. ice: sometimes with the speed of 35 the ice-house from the ship, which was ever, it was better than remaining idle, English miles per hour. The tempera- the same bright color as the snow's very as, at the worst, the amount of debt to often there were snow sterms which be accumulated was minimised. The time not particularly low, not lower than made the walk more difficult in a greater manager was not a bad fellow, and hav-- 17°, c. In consequence of this we degree. To find one's way under such ing been a good actor in his time, was could not for many days communicate circumstances without a guide would only too glad to be surrounded by a with the shore, where we had already have been a mere impossibility. Before class of actors whose services he could commenced a work which was far from the regular communication with the ice- only obtain by the opportunity afforded being finished; we should have been house commenced it, was necessary to by the bright summer-in those palmy obliged, even with a compass in our mark the way we had to go by some cubes days the darkest and wintriest season to hands, to run the risk of losing our way, of ice, 117 in number which were placed the airy comedian or the thoroughly up!" because our nearest point was covered the same distance from each other be- legitimate tragedian. Our opening bill with a constant white misty veil through tweets the ship and the shore and tied consisted of "Cramond Brig," "Lord which it was impossible to see even a together on each side by a strong rope. Darnley," "Wallace, the Hero of Scotdistance of a 100 feet—therefore we had This rope, the colour of which was a land," and "Gilderoy, the Bonnie Boy," a good opportunity of learning a new contrast to the white snow, was a guide in all of which I played, besides con-mode of living—that is, of accustoming to us on our nightly wanderings to and tributing my share in the National from the house. With all these pre- Anthem, which was right loyally and contions it was still very difficult to find | loudly sung by the entire strength of the way during the night when the the company. After the reherisal of The winter had arrived in earnest, but snow storms were very fierce. I remarked " Cramond Brig," outs folly manager

her position. The topmasts and topsails as a compass was of no use whatever in equipped with turnips and carrots, and The black-hearted scoundrel! had been taken down and the yards the thick blinding darkness. I tried a the "drop of real Scotch." The slung to give the least apportunity to few times in the night to leave go the "neighbour's bairh," an important lower. the wind, and Palander had already rope and take a nearer way, which I had character in the scene, came in and took commenced to prepare the 'tween deck gone tens of times before during the her seat as usual beside the miller's room. The brute was on the bed already as a working room for the crew during day, but I had to suffer for my temerity chair. She was a pretty, sad-eyed, in his besorted sleep. The child stole the winter; from the quarter-deck right in walking for quarters of hours in all intelligent child of some nine years old. up to me, and in a half-frightened over to the bows they spread an awning possible and impossible directions before In the course of the meal, when Jock whisper said, "Oh, sir, oughtn't people Howison was freely passing the whiskey; to keep secrets, if they know them? One thinks that the cold is the greatest she leaned over to him and said, think they ought, if they are other plague of the Arctic regions, but I don't Please, will you give me a little?" people's." This with the dignity of a

To-morrow night came, and, to my

"A thimble, sir."

"But what am I to do with it?"

and I do want it."

When the curtain fell, our manager about 20 feet high, and the surroundings the necessary precautions during our he, "you are quite a genius. Your gag had something of the appearance of a night by walks, because we were pre- is the best thing in the piece. We must you mustn't drink the whiskey! No.

"Oh, sir, indeed I won't; I give you "Cramond Brig" had an unprecedented run of six nights, and the little lady time I notice that she corked up the curious as to what she could possibly At the end of November our-magner | Only one time it happened that during | want with the spirit, and who she was, and where she came from. I asked her, but she seemed so unwilling to tell, and turned so red; that I did not press her; but I found out that it was the old story -no mother, and a drunken father.

Still, it was strange; what could she want with the whiskey-a child like It could not be for the drunken I felt sure there was. After the performance. I saw my little body come out. Poor little child! there was no mother or brother to see her to her home. She hurried up the street, and turning into the poorest quarter of the town, entered the common stair of a tumbledown old house. I followed. went up and up, till in the very top flat she entered a little room. A handful of fire glimmering in the grate revealed a sickly boy, some two years her innior. who crawled towards her from where he was lying before the fire.

"Cisev. I'm glad you're home." said. "I thought you'd never come." She put her arms round him, laid the poor little head on her thin shoulder and took him over to the fire again, trying to comfort him as she went. "Is the poin very bad, to-night,

"Willier I wish I could bear the pain Books & Patterns. "It's cruel of father to send me ou

in the wet: he knows how bad I am. "Hush! Willie, hush! he might hear "I don't eare! I don't care! I wish

he would kill me at once." The reckless abundon of the child' despair was dreadful. Hush! hush! ho is our father and

we mustn't say such things!" This through her fast-falling tears. Then she said, "Let me try and make the pain better." The boy took off his thirt.

The girl leaned over and put her arms round him, and kissed the shoulder; she then put her hand into her pocket and took out the snuff-box. -

"Oh, Willie; I wish we had more, so delivery should be retarded by the Contract that it might cure the pain." Having lighted a dip candle, she rubbed the child's rheumatic shoulder with the few drops of spirit, and then covered up the little thin body, and sitting before the fire took the boy's head on her knee, and began to sing

I took another look into the room. through the half-open door; my foot creaked; the frightened eyes met mine.

But, as I began to descend the stair met a drunken man ascending-slipping and stumbling as he came. H slipped and stumbled by me, and entered the room. I followed to the landing unnoticed, and stood in the dark shadow of the half-open door.

A hourse, butal voice growled "What are you doing there?-get can't father; Willie's head is on

She gently laid the boy's head on the floor, pillowing it in her little shawl

Father, Willie is very sick I you ought to try to get him cured." Shut up. If I bear another word I'll make you and him too keep your hature of the contents was discovered.

and stood up.

not the way to get the money; his

The girl bowed her head lower and

I could not bear it. I entered the

gravely as I could to the little woman. "The secret shall be kept, but you must ask me if you want anything." She bent over, suddenly kissed my hand, and I went down the stair.

The next-night-she was shy in coming for the whiskey, and I took care that the number of parcels is such as to retard purchased. she had good measure.

nights, she looked more happy, than I "You said that you would give me a had ever seen her. When she came for senders against any but a very remote prothe whiskey she held out the thimble, bability of loss, and whispered to me with her poor, pale This was said so naturally, that the lips trembling, "You, need only pretend

"Why?" I whispered. "Because-he doesn't want it now He's dead!"-The Green Room.

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2. Invitations, do, can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at laces of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business. 8. Boxholders who desire to send Circu-

lars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards. &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Baugkok, or the Ports of Chins and Japan, may deliver them to the Post I put my finger on my lips and crept Office pustamped, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten. 4. Boxholders may also send Patterns order on be transferred to another office

to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and Order Office for instructions. approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packers.

PARCELS.-The public is reminded that. there is no such thing as Parcel Post to Enrope, &c. Much trouble and disappointment are caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Ourios Articles of Dress. Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the souders baving ofton spect more in Pactage than would have paid the freight by steamer. refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Blamps obliterated before the

Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Patcels may be sent by Post tween any of the Post Offices in China Japan, as well as to Maoso, Pak-Singapore, Penang, and Malacca. They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long; I foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than albs. The postage is 20 cents per lb., which includes Registration except to Japan, to which country parcels are forwarded at Book Rates, Registry being optional. The parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LET-TER, but any parcel may he opened by direction of the Postmester General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted Parcels insufficiently spacked or protected, or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes, &c.) Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice. I could not gainsay her, so I said, as Fish, Came, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

8. Parcels will as a general rule be warded by Frivate Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the right of belecting the opportunity for trans- suspicious. He is allowed to charge mission, and of disying delivery in case Commission of one per cent on all Star other correspondence. No responsibility The last night of our long run of six is accepted with regard to any parcel, but the system of Registration will secure the

-4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist,

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed. 1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or u registered; can be received hongkong Rates of Postage, for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, upless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows :-

Books and Papers-to British Offic se 5 lbs.; to the Continent, do. 4 lbs. Patterns-to British Offices, 5-lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, do., 8 02.

ndemnity for the Loss of a Registered Letter.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correscondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while pressing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided;— 1. That the lender duly observed all the conditions of Registration require.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelopes.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster Veneral of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that if was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the disho caty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office

5. No compensation can be paid for mere which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Money Order Regulations.

1. - Money Orders are exchanged with the United Kingdom, New South Wales, Que meland, South Australia and Port Darwin, the Straits Settlements, Western | Ward-room Officers, Australia, and (except at Shanghai) with A. Weakfort. the Japanese Empire. Hongkong siso. issues orders on Shanghai, and vice bersa." 2 -Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Alexa Stamps, subject to a charge of one per America, s.s. cent. for cathing them.

3. - Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order is filled up. and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (influding commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations. of exchange. The Rostmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as at always should applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the depar-

tures of the mails. 4.-No order must exceed £10, or \$50. or include any fraction of a penny, nor will more than two such orders be issued to the seme cerson, in favour of the same payee, by the same mail. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day ; and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

The commission is as follows :--Orders on the United Kingdom. Up to £2,..... 18 cents.

Local and Intercolonial Orders. Up to \$25 or £5 25 cents. \$50 or £10 50

Hongkong and Shanghai. 6.—Names must be given in full (except Fleneburger Nachrichten. when there is more than one Christian | Gazzette Piemontosa name) but the name of the Payee need not | Gegenwart. be given if the order be crossed (as cheques General Unzeiger. are grossed). It can then be paid only Good Words. through a Bank, and may afterwards be Grafic. specially crossed to any Bank.

7.—No order can be paid till the Payee Industrial Age has signed it in the proper place. An Jeune Republique. on payment of an additional commission In case of loss of an order, necessity for stopping payment, or the like, application Manchester Conrier. should be made to the nearest Money Medical Times and Gasette.

the order be not presented within months an additional commission will Monitour Financier. be charged ; if not within twelve months, Niederlandische Handels and the money will be forfeited. When the order is once paid no further claim can be Petit Provencel entertained.

0.-No order can be paid until the advice re ative to it has been received. Made out on a printed form which is supplied

t Local Orders on Shanghai ace drawn at 2 per rate for drawing on the United Kingdom

PATTERNS .- Some difficulty is experied in obtaining a general understanding what is a Pattern. It is a bond fide war of goods which the sender has for sale of goods which he wishes to order. to consist of the smallest possible quan compatible with shewing what the gr are, and must have no infrinsic value.

To provide means of remitting inms of money to or from this Colony between the Ports of China, the masters and Agents are allowed (but required) to purchase Hongkong Pos Stamps from foreign residents: Between Hongkong and Yokohama, h ever, in either direction, Money-Or

must be used. The Stamps tendered for sale intuit exceed 250 in value, must be perfe clean, in good condition, and in strips of least two, as no separate Stamps wil purchased. They must be presented sonally or accompanied by a note. The Postmaster or Agent may post; purchasing if his public funds in hand

not sufficient, and he will refuse to purch in any case which appears doubtful

POST OFFICE NOTICE Unclaimed Correspondence

December 30, 1880.

Alvis, Samuel Lame, M. A. Lawton, F. E. A. F Aming, Mr. Lockhart, G. Azvemeorich, G. 1 Lucis, J. B. Marshall, F. J. Baldwin, Mrs 1 Maclach-lan, John 8 1 pcl. Bernheim and Mendonca, Simao 1 Mew Sing Mitchell, John Bolea, Pon Liau 1 Bornning, G. D. 1 Morgan, Mrs May Bowman, Mrs Moses, Natan Moy Hin Shiang 1 Cairatti, John Chassignol, -Newion, Joseph I Moner. Norrille and Compton, Lord A. 1 Crofton Connell, F. Pardon, Leo. Crobbie, John M. 1 Percoco, Cris-Conninghum. Phillips, B. Darby, H. J. B. Place, Se. Tertuliana Dias, Sr. D. Jose Plage, Mrs J. Pollard Sampel 1 Dowsley, Revd. 3 Pollister H. Dubois, Mile. Rangel, A. Duncan, R. B. Rasimann, T. Richards, R.W. Dupille, A. Boss Joanna, V. J Eschwige, Peck Rosario, Poly-& Hashned Messra Ruddle, Mrs Franka, G. Free Church Mis-Shapeers, K. Sieberman, T. 1 re land) Revd. Spanning Osborns Stels, Che. Gerstenbergn. A. Stone, P. E. F. Gibson, Robt. N. Swanston, J. Goddard, Geo. Sykos, Joe. Taming, C. E. Graca, Roza, M da 1 Ham Sing Taylor, Cha. Taylor, W. Handley, A. A. 1 Handrickson, Teo Lan Kok Juliana U. Thorose, M. M. Harbatile, T. B. Verner, Charles Hatch, J. J. Wheelon, John Henderson, J. J. 2 2 pcl. Whiteley, Fred.

Whimore, H. Williams, Mrs. 1 regd. Wing Fung Hurst, Ed. Goon Hing

Jamieson, Geo. Woledge, Mrs W. L Khooda-bucke I regd. Wy Sing & Co. 1

& Co. .

Wolden, A. A.

For Men-of-War, &c. Lily Mosquito Che. Hammond T. J. King, Modeste A. H. Lever. Modeste Sheldrake H. J. Madden. A. McKinlay. Mosquito Kertre Wm. Rogers, Mosquito Lapwing

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For Merchant Ships 1 Kasemer Marques del Mourbury Norden, s.s. Onthworths Oregon Propantus, s.s. Ban Josquin Behalde | Schjung op Maiye 1 Berapis, a.s. Forward Ho S. Lonnor Stanfield 6 Starlight Great Admiral Stale of Maine Vale of Doors Venora -Wm. Ritson

John Nicholson 33 12 Wylo Books, etc. without Covers. Angener & Co. Catalogue. Arbroath Guida.

Wm. Turner

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Dagbladet. Des Buchfür Alle. 5 __ Lists of Money Oroer Offices in the | Dumiries and Galloway Courier. United Kingdom may be consulted at Free Church of Scotland Monthly Record.

> Harding's Dublin Songster, Heldi's Lohr and Wander shre,

Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper. Messager du Cour de Jesus, Mittheilangen. Moniteur de la Banque.

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St. John's Cathedral, held on the 30th inst., a division was made of the Offertory funds which had accumulated since Easter. The amount contributed was over \$700, but an interim grant of \$50 to the Naval Scripture Reader for services rendered, the expenditure of \$90 in new hassocks for the Chancel, and some minor expenses, had reduced it to \$523.40, which was thus divided,-

To the Bishop of Victoria for Missions, \$148.40 Cathedral funda. . . . Diocesan Home and Orphanage. Seamon's Chaplaincy fund, ... Naval Scripture Reader, ...

ORICKET. HONGKONG C. C. V. THE NAVY.

This match, which was commenced ye:terday, was continued this morning, Mesars Bridges and Hynes, who were "not out yesterday continuing their innings, and the first named gentleman was not disposed of until he had knocked up within six of

ting than they had done in the field. Some of the bowling of the Club team deserves mention. Mr Tomes having bowled 28 halls for eight runs and seven wickets, and Mr Baiff 25 balls for six runs and three wickets. Appended are the scores :-

H. E. CLUB.

H. H. Taylor, b Gubvins, H. de C. Forbes, c Penny, b Gubbius, ... 75 S. W. Liane, R.A., b Mitchell, 5 W. Hynes, c Lyne, b Penny,84 J. Purdon, a Mitchell, b Moffatt, 27 J. P. Feil, R.A., & Campion, b Penny, ... 22 H. F. Whyte, b Campion, 8 C. A. Tomes, b Campion,18 Byen, 14, leg byen 1, wides, 30, no

Wickets fell,-1 for 13, 2 for 159, 3 for 169, 4 for 231, 5 for 245, 6 for 250, 7 for tion :-286, 8 for 290, 9 for 313, 10 for 334.

1st Innings. W. Penny Comus, run out, G. Gubbing Flying Fish, b Hyues, Mr F. Newington Victor Emanuel. b J. Galpin Modeste, b Bridges, G. Neville Comur. at White, b Forbes,

- Moffatt Curacao; b Forbes,..... F. Mitchell Comus, b Hynes,"..... J. Campion Modests, not out,..... - Etelstone Iron Duke, b Tomes,...... W. Warren Kestrel, a Lane, b Barff, Byes 2, leg byes 2.

Wickets fell,-1 for 0, 2 for 8, 3 for 21, 4 for 24, 5 for 30, 6 for 40, 7 for 48, 8 for 45, 9 for 75, 10 for 76.

2nd Innings. W. Lyne, b Tomes, J. Campion, b Tomes, W. Penny, c and b Tomes, Gubbins, b Barff..... J. Galpin, b Barff, F. Newington, c Law, b Tomes,..... Moffatt, b Tomes J. Mitchell, b Barff, Ethelstone, b Tomes,..... W. Warren, not out,.....

Wickets fell .- 1 and 2 for 7, 3 and 4 for 9, 5 and 6 for 10, 7 for 16, 8 and 9 for 17, 10 for 18.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED. An extraordinary meeting of chareholders of the above Company was held at the registered office, No. 14, Praya Central, this afternoon (31st), for the not approve of the resolution now before purpose of passing special resolutions to authorise the Directors to purchase the docks, goodwill, plant, property, and stock-in-trade of the Cosmopolitan Dock

be made, pursuent to Article 107 of the

The Chairman of the Company, Hop. W. Keswick, presided, and there were -Messrs Maclyer, Reiners, André, and Manger, and H. C. Haswell (Directors), W. K. Hughes, Vernon-Vernon, Mac- believed the effect would be to jeoparrepresented 1,191 shares. The meeting | agreement he could not say. For hi

The Secretary of the Company having read the notice convening the meeting, The Chairman said that the notice set meeting, no option, but to refuse of forth the object for which the directors had asked the attendance of the shareholders to-day. As they were well that that was the position. aware, the competition within recent Mr Edo replied that that then was all years in the work of the Dock Company he had to say. had been such as to reduce the earnings from this species of industry here in such a way as had been unsatisfactory man. to them as shareholders and a source of anxiety to the Directors as the managers | views forward in opposition to those of their affairs. Endeavours had been made to come to some understand- rectors, but he was of opinion that if the rather from the other side than from which was to be paid off in six wears it wash, or two months imprisonment with taken the form of a working agreement; pay any dividend, were to go in for exthe object of this Company had been cessive charges which was toutamount to acquire the property of the opposition, to inviting new opposition. - The Comand there were indications that they pany's field was not at the present time

AT an informal meeting of the Trustees of in it the elements of dissension which the probable earnings of the Company might possibly land them in as bad if not- a worse position than that from which they had extricated themselves. They had now succeeded in arranging for the purchase of the property-of the Cosmopolitan Dock Company at the terms which were set forth in the advertisement. This Company acquired the whole property of the opposition for \$400,000, in addition to which they would pay for the steam-launches and material in stock at valuation. The terms of payment were that \$200,000 should be paid on their taking trossession and the balance at three months after that date. also at the same time the value of the launches and material taken overorder to allow of their taking un these

payments the Directors proposed now the addition to the capital of the Company of \$250,000 in 2000 shares, of allowed to issue these shares at less shares to be issued at such premium over took up the proposed issue and gave and above that as the Directors might find expedient and practicable. The Directors were of opinion that it would be an advantage were the present shares his century. The match was not equal subdivided, and had now in contem- entrusting his firm with the management the file in the matter of the bankruptcy of unfortunately made no better show at bat they desired them to meet together, must be done, because the duties of which they would do for that purpose in Secretary and Manager in such an inan extraordinary meeting, to consider stitution as this promised to develope the advisability of so sub-dividing the shares, making the capital \$1,250,000 in 10,000 shares of \$125 each. The balance of the purchase money of this property it was proposed to raise by at a fixed premium or by tender to the W. P. Bridges, c Moffatt, b Mitchell, ... 94 mortgage, and he was happy to stare O that they could horrow the money. The

period within which that loan should be repaid should be as short as possible, in from six to eight years it ought all to be paid off. But that was a detail which had not yet been settled with the lenders of the money. If this proposal received the approval of the meeting he and the Board of Directors believed it would increase the dividends of the shareholders and add to the prosperity of the Company. The Chairman concluded by moving formally the following resolu-

That this Company do purchase from the Cosmopolitan Dock Company Limited. 'the leasehold property, premises, buildings, dock, plant, engines, machinery and tools together with the business and goodwill of the said Company, for the price or sum of \$400,000 Hongkong currency, and that this Company do purchase the steam launches and stock-in-trade of the said Cosmopolitan Dock Company at such price or sum as shall be determined upon by two valuators, one to be appointed by Mosers Russell and Company for the said Cosmopolitan Dock Company and the other by the Directors of this-Company, who shall in the event of any disagreement appoint an Umpire who sha determine the matter in dispute; and also that the Company do continue and carry on the said business at Tai Kok Tsui.

And that the said purchase money to be paid by this Company to the said Cosmopolitan Dock Company Limited for the said Dock, premises, stock-in-trade, chattels and effects be raised partly by the issue of two thousand new shares of one hundred and twenty-five dollars each at such rate as the Directors may agree upon, but at not less than ten per cent. premium, to which the present shareholders of this Company shall have the preference, and partly by raising a loan of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars bearing interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum.

Mr Ede wished to know whether he would be in order, before the motion was put, in asking a question : was this the proper time?

The Chairman: Certainly. Mr Ede's question was whether the proposed arrangement to which the Chairman had alluded was still open to the Company, or was it too late to do anything save what the Chairman proposed in his resolution.

The Chairman thought it was now too late to go back; but if the meeting did it the Directors would do their best to bring about the other arrangement to which he had alluded.

Mr Ede had a strong feeling that the Company, Limited, and to determine in other arrangement was practicable but what manner payment for the same shall it it was not open now to make no other arrangement it was not worth while dis-Articles of Association of the said Comcussing the advisability of that course. If that course were still open he would like to ask whe her an adjournment would put an, end to this arrangement also present the following shareholders, or whether the negotiations would be

then regarded merely as suspended. The Chairman said that in the event Hon. P. Ryrie, and Messrs H. Smith, of the resolution not meeting with the Champeaux, A. E. Vaucher, C. S. Taylor, approval of this meeting and of a motion N. J. Ede, Mosely, Sassoon, C. P. Chater, for an adjournment being carried he Culloch, MacClymont, Innes, D. R. dise the arrangement with the other Crawford, H. N. Mody, J. da Costa, Company which was embodied in the Tavares, and D. Gillies, Secretary, resolution which he had placed before There were also a number of suareholders' the meeting. How far it might affect proxies tabled, and altogether there were the possible arrangement for a working was, however, delayed for some time own part he had considered, since the until the number qualified it to proceed agreement had been made to purchase to the business in hand (1,000 shares) that the previous negotiations were at of \$25 each, to be of good be aviour for could be received, and several members an end. How far the rejection of this three months, in default to be committed had to be beaten up before that could proposition by the present meeting would reopen them he could not say. Mr Ede said that there was then no

> course open, for the shareholders at this sanction the purchase. The Chairman agreed : he apprended

Mr H. Smith seconded the resolution

which has been proposed by the Chair-

Mr Taylor was very sorry to put his which had been recorded by the Diing, and some proposals had been Company saddled itself with a debt like that direction, coming that which it was proposed to incur and in a misdemeanour, and were flaced \$50 that the money was in the hands of Messare this Company, Some proposals had meant that the Company, if they were to could get the property. Some opportu- any better than at the time- of the nities were lost of doing so, and that amulgamution with the old Union Dock these were unavailed of was a source of Company, and the appearance of the regret to the Directors. The opposition field then led to the establishment of the fined \$6, in default to be impresented for four got stronger and a working agreement | Sands' Slip and the erection of the was proposed; but the feeling amongst Cosmopolitan Dock. He had no the Directors was that, whereas that sources of information save the printed side the gool, when defendant threw

would be much the same as in these years 3700,000, which would be a profit of 25 per cent. It was the difference then. and it might be now, of 18 per cent. between the rate at which they could borrow money and that rate of profit, which encouraged opposition. He suggested that, to raise the money required to carry out the transaction with the opposition, of which the Chairman had informed them be raised by the issue of new He also referred to another They had all heard some talk o suggestion or offer that had been

made by the Chairman, at one of the meetings of the Board of Directors, that he was prepared to take over the management of the Company himself. dared say that this was made with the best intentions, but naturally the shareholders ask d themselves what they were to make out of it. He thought they might make something out of instructions of the agent here and that then \$360,000 for it, no doubt in the course of a year or two he would make into would assuredly become more than enough for one man. Mr Taylor concluded by moving that there be a creation of \$300,000 fresh stock to be issued

This amendment Mr MacCulloch se-With reference to one point Mr Taylor. had mentioned, the Chairman desired to say that the Directors were not at all favour of any very considerable advance of charges. A reasonable advance was most desirable because of late work had been done cheaper here than it was done anywhere else in the world. A reasonable, legitimate and fair increase there might be and they would still be able to keep the charges lower than those for which the same work could be done in any part of the East; and he believed that they would be able to conduct, a profitable business on that basis. They had a debt but they had every reasonable prospect. he believed, of clearing off that and giving too, a very fair dividend to the shareholders. Such was his own opinion and it was the opinion of the other members of the Board. He wished it to be distinctly understood that the Directors were not in favour of any considerable increase of charges. They thought it would be detrimental to the interests of the Company

to do so. (Hear hear.) The motion, as given above, having een seconded, reduced to writing and

Mr Andre pointed out that the proposal the Directors had made required Mr Taylor: But that would be stock.

That would be used up. The amendment was then put to the meeting and amidst considerable amusement lost; no hand was held up for it and the seconder voted against it. Mr Taylor asked whether the Directors had made any estimate of the amount of earnings that would be available for distribution as dividend.

The Chairman said be had made an estimate and they had no doubt all made estimates, but they had made no estimate which they were prepared to make

The resolution was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously. There was no other business before the

> Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. M. S. Tonnochy.) . Friday, Dec. 3L

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON A CONSTABLE. John Soullen, 22, private in d. M. 27th Regiment was fined two dollars for striking P. U. 508, an Indian Consable. The constable it appeared wanted to take defendant to the Police Station because he had a shirt in his hand, which the P. C. concl. ded must be stolen. . The soldier naturalis objected, as he was admitted to be soher a the time, and a struggle ensued, in which defendant stated, be was first struck by the

(Before the Hon. Ng Choy.)

Tang Ayıp, So, nawker, was convicted of being in possession of two pawn-tickets relating to solen property on the 29th

A hawker named Iam Asul, identified the property which the payn tickets represented, two jackets, a pair of shoes, and a purse, as belonging to him, and he had seen the defendant offering the tickets for sale in the Queen's Road. The defendant was ordered to find security in two sureties for fourteen days.

PUBLIC GAMBLING. Lo Aping, 22, tarmer, and nine others, but the tenth. Lo Asse, a tinsmith, were jumped out of a window into the atreet and uard labour. The first and second defend auta were convicted of siding and abetting

in the case, out of the flass when paid. SUPPLYING FUNDS TO A GAOR INMATE: Ip Wing Kai, 52, opium dealer, was teen days with hard labour, for giving 18 cents to a convict in Victoria Gaol. The night relieve the position temporarily reported, reading from which, referring parcel to him, which was found to contain would not endure, and that there were I to the year 1871, 1874, he suggested that that there were I to the year 1871, 1874, he suggested that there were I to the year 1871, 1874, he suggested that

SUPREME COURT. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. Before His Honour, the Puisne Judge, F. Snouden, Eig.)

Friday, Dec. 31.

THE P. & O. COMPANY & BURNIE, \$200. this was a suit brought to recover the rum of \$200 which it was alleged defendant reed to pay to the plaintiff for towing w steam launch from this cort to Singspore. Johnson, (of Messra Sharp, Toller and Johnson) appeared for the plaintiffs; and Stephens (of Messra Stephens and H Imeal appeared for the defendant. Mr Johnson opened the case at some

oth and indicated the evidence which he would lay before the Court. This n action, he said, for \$200 for towing steam-launch to Singapore by the P. & O. at amer China. The steam-landch built by the bankrupt firm of Ing. is & Co .-Gie Lordship : And what is the defence

Mr Stephens said the defence was that Can. Burnie was acting merely, under than ten per cent premium, and the it in this way. If the Chairman his dealings with the plaintiff he gave the name of both his agent and his principal. Plaintiff had communication with the agent here and knew all along that his client, Capt. Burule, was merely acting as an a good thing of it, and the shareholders agent. He might, as defendant's solicitor, might then consider the advisability of have to refer in the course of the case to plation notifying the shareholders that of the Company. Something of the kind Mesars Inglis & Co., which he desired The Judge said there would be no diffi-

culty in that. Mr Johnson, continuing, said the launch

was built by the bankrupt from of Inglis and Co. or rather it was begun by them and finished by the fficial satignes after the adjudication. When it had been finished Captain Burnie saw Mr Wooding on behalf of the P. & O. Company and came to e me arrangement to have the launch owed down to Singapore. At first-the proposal was to to have her towed down by the that she should be towed down by the P. \$400 if she arrived at Singapore safely the money to pay for this was in the and that it would be paid here on advices being received as to whether she arrived safely at Singapore or not. launch was lost, and the plain iffs now claimed from Capt. Burnie the smaller amount, \$200. In making this agreement as would appear from the evidence of Mr. Woodin, O ptain Burnie made himself distinctly personally responsible. He named no principal or friend for whom he was acting. He only said the money would be paid here. In fact it would have been paid at once, but that they did not know whether \$200 or \$400 would have to be paid. Mr Woodin would tell the Court of the agreement as to his being simply an agent for some other person. After

the steamer had left, baving the launch in tow, Captain Burnie wrote to or saw Mr Woodin and asked him to collect the money due for the towage from the consigned at Singapore. He had told him proviously that the money was in the hands of Mesers Brereton & Wotton. Mr Woodin tel :graphed to Singapore to collect the money, and had a letter back that the consigner from whom Captain Burnie had said he was to collect the money, repudiated the whole thing, and said that nobody here had the slightest right to enter into any conact of the kind for him. . After a corremoney, this suit was brought. That was only acting for Mr Wotton is pretty good time and was a great improve- of Mesny & Co., which was then doing the short history of the cast. Mr Johnson then called the following

Mr Woodin said: I am an assistant in the P. & O. Company here, and have been here twenty years. I know Captain Burnie. I remember him coming to see me about the towing of a launch to Singapore About March of this year he come to me and said he wanted the launch towed down to Singapore : it was first agreed that she should receive \$400; but if any accident occurred or if she had to be out adrift, no liability. it would be \$200. There was no other persun present. I am not certain whether any name was mentioned as a responsible party. but I don't think so. The launch was not ready for that steamer. Karly in June he made the same arrangement for the China towing her down. He said the money would be paid here. She want away from here in tow of the Okina. She was swamped and sauk within two or three days from Singapore, after the men had been taken out of her by the China. Before the annoh left, Captain Burnis came to me and said the money, was in the hands of Mesers Brereton & Wotton, having been awarded by the Court?" Afterwards, after the steamer had sailed; I asked Captaiu surnie, by note, whether he was sure the money was to be paid here; in answer he told me toat they (Means Brereton & Wot ton) wanted the mon y to be collected Singapore The consigned was to pay. telegraphed to our agent to that effect. The consignee repudiated the whole affair. I got a letter dated June 26th (produced) read and put in. The agent said he was informed by the consignee that the Captain of the launch had greed to bring her to Singapore for a certain sum, and there was no power given to any one to enter into such a contrac , and that there was nothing about towing her down in the agreement Captain Burnie made the agreement in his own name, and I did not look to any one else for psyment.

* Oco.s-examined:-Captain Burnie applied to me the second time about a week before the verselleft. I have no written memorandum of what took place. On the 18th June I wrote the letter produced. (The appeared on a charge, remanded from the letter was to the effect that the China towed to Singapore a small steam launch which No. 16 leverly Street. All the defendants | had her own-crew and would steam all the way.) I have submitted to me now a letarrested in the house by inspector Lindsay | ten dated 14th June stating that the agent on the 27th instant, the latter prisoner, in the matter here wished the money to who was in the house at the time, having be collected at chugapore. When those lettera were written I did not know that ours himself. He was so much injured Captain Burnie was acting for somebody as that he could not run, and was captured in Singapore. We only knew Captain Burnie the street and sent to Hospit Towhich he in the matter throughout. I knew from has just left. Evidence went to prove that conversation with Captain Burnie that the this man Lo Asan was the keeper of the launch was going to Mr Alsegoff. There gambling house, and he was fined \$50, in | was no responsibility attached to the Chind. default to be imprisoned for two months with | In the phrase in my letter by "the agent in the matter here," A refer to Captain Barnie, I was informed by Capt, Burnie Brereton and Wotton, We only recognized mard labour, and the other defendants, for Capt, Burnie. (Referred to a letter of 28th naunting a publing gambling house, were June) I see that I write to the solicitors of flued \$5 each, with the alternative of four- the consignee stating that the after agree- spirits" implied). Inquirer may even hold ment was that the money should be paid that the "coutside spirits" are exclusively A sum of \$10 to be paid to two informers | at singapore and telling him that if it was not paid there to let us know and that the matter would be settled here. After reading the letter of 28th June I may that as Capt. Burnie said tust he wished the money to be recovered at Singapore we as a matter of courtsey said we would instruct our agents to sudsavour to recover it there. Had the vessel arrived safely there, we would have considered ourselves as having a lies on her and would not have given her up unless the money were paid. We were

Brereion and Wotten were in correspondence with the consignee regarding the matter. We recognized nobody in the transaction save Capt. Burnie. I wrote to Capt. Jurnie asking him for the money on the 22nd July. We had previously tried to get | Parade Ground before the Viceroy and the the money from the consignee at Singspore. The agent had applied to the consignee for the money. Letter read stating that understand that the Captain of the laurch utterly regardless of expense and with the had undertaken to take the launch to Singar usual profusion of flags and

informed by Captain Burnie that Messra

We never communicated direct with Messra Brereton and Wotton : we heard the expense of towing her down, do. understood that that sun was to be paid from creeping and lively parasites. allowed by the Court, and paid to Messre aton and Wotton to be paid to us. I Burnie. I did know a few days before the "savour of " Araby the Blest."

was having a launch built here. friendly action. I presume that if this north side of the ground and decorated action succeeds against Captain Burnie, we with flags and drapery. This was the shall get the money from the Court through saluting point had there been any, but him. I did not know that the launch was strange to say the soldiers of this cerefor a Rajah there.

agreement was made, that the consignee

going out on his own account. I do not the Viceroy and Governor were seafed in remember. Mr Wotton saying that no solemn grandeur like two dumb images, have been something said to that effect.

Captain Burnie was only acting as servant inspire beholders with awe. Perhaps have pertainly never been paid, but Alsekoff party. had actually received the money to pay: and although he has been applied to for account of the review than a civilian is able pay the money; he went to make the ar- some simple evolutions, consisting of rifle r angements simply on behalf of Mr Wotton spear, archery and sword practice. The and was not liable himself.

A letter was road from the Official As

client, acting only on behalf of the agent the work of 4 or 5 instructors who got their of the owner of the launch, had incurred training under foreign drill sergeants. plaintiffs, asking for a vardiot on the ground appeared in the arrangement for towing the launch, and that we had not, according

to the evidence of his witnesses, given the name of any one-dise as responsible, at the ime the terms were a reed upon. question, and reserved judgment.

CHEUNG FUNG V. HAYDEN, \$27,-This was a ciaids for the priorage of a vessel, Japt." dayden told the man that a pilot was wanted and to a me on board the seagulf at a certain hour. For one side it was contended that he thereby made himself responsible t for the other side to was submitted that he acted only as an agout and in engaging the planniff, if he readily did ongage nim, he d solosed his principal and shereby freed himself from responsibility. . he Judge said ne would take time to consider the question.

wo wly, hourd to-day. Me stephens houses at Shanghai. I have not heard appealed and showed that his rental, even with his paying the taxes was less by \$180 than the valuation (\$1,555 as ag late \$1.685). Mr Northcote was satisfied that the reduction anough be made and that was rich booty from the Chinese plains. A accordingly done, In the second case Mr small consignment of watches from delites appeared against the valuation at L. Messra E. & W. Grosclaude, Hankow, 16Ud such per annument his houses 5 and 7 Costinger Street, which only bringshim in \$504. They are let on a five years' leate. ar Northoute had no opjequon to tue application ; he had reason to believe he had rained these properties too nights, to the neglect of the carriers to produce

THE INTERMINABLE QUESTION. To the Editor of the " UHINA MAIL."

Sir.—I hasten to make a correction regard to the one passage of Inquirer, where # plu occurs, meaning "my objects worship." There is a distinction made the context between 20 11 spirits" which a man in office may sacrifice referred to, in the expression on this point the Chinese Recorder. Vol. VIII., page 74; and page 263.

But while acknowledging this slip in writing from memory I would call attention to the fact that my 25 cases on other side, were increased to 73 subsequently by me in the last-named place in the

Kours, Occ.

Canton.

Wednesday, Dec. 29, A Tai-ta'o or grand review of troops took place to-day, instead of last Tuesday week as previously announced, on the North

The day was beautifully fine and browds | never seen, nor will he get a sight of her of spectators had gathered together to see till he is wedded. He has already had writer. Mr Woodin was given to the show. Officers and men were got up pore for a stated sum : We were never in glittering spears, bayonets and swords; it communication with Mesara Brerston and was quite an imposing display, from a Wotton, unless I spoke to Mr Wotton, Chinese point of view. The Chinese point Empire under the present dynasty. One which I may have done, after the claim was of view, unfortunately for us foreigners, was the only point of view from which anything could be seen. No nice drag or from them through Capt, Burnie. I under- waggonette as at home, where one might stood that a sum of \$600 was kept back for sit and smoke and see the fun with soft corns safe from trampling feet and clothes "great un washed" was there-always unwashed when the thermometer gets below 70 and considering that this cold weather has lasted about two months, it may be left the matter in the hands of Captain | Imagined that by this time he did not

There was no other way to see anything but by diving juto the odoriferous throng and By Mr Johnson :- I have known Captain getting wedged in on all sides by unwasted Burnie for a long time. This is quite a ones. A matshed had been erected on the for the consignee. I really thought it was monious people made not salute as they religious seets called the Pei-lien, and marched past their Viceroy. A company By Mr Stephens :- I remember meeting of black turbaned guards stood round the Kok-lao, and Teng-hua, are on the alert Mr Wotten in Queen's Road about the shed the inside of which swarmed with just now : the Mahomedans have a long time the launch went down, and something mandaring arranged in a semicircle at the was said about the Captain of the launch | back, right, and left, of two tables where agreement was necessary, but there might with that same everlasting funereal rigid face that these officials like to assume on Mr Stephens, in addressing the Court, such occasions. Perhaps there was an contended that Captain Burnie was merely occasional move of the head ridiculously acting under instructions from the Agent line that of a way-work figure in Madame in Hongkong of the owner of the launch in Tussaud's show, It was said that this Singapore. The P. & O. here knew that shoppy display of majesty is got up to for Mr Wotton, and it was only after the bad that effect upon the fawning toadies. complainants had failed to recover the that hung around their Excellencies' chairs: money at Singapore, that they thought of but unceremonious Britons did not feel it to appear on the breaking out of recovering from Captain Burnie. Mr much. The Chinese must have seen a Alackoff had been allowed a sum of \$650 strange contrast when they peeped into the to provide for the expense of towing the adjoining tent and saw the free and easy launch down to Singapore. The P. & O. | manners of the French Consul and his

payment had never been sued for the to do. About 3,000 picked troops passed amount. The defendant never agreed to before their Excellengies and went through marching was about as bad as it could b but then Chinese never do keep time eithe signee in the bankruptey of Mesers Inglis & in rowing or stepping until well conched by Co. to the Attorney of Alsekoff, proving a foreigner. Apart from this they were that \$650 were allowed for the expenses of decidedly the smartest and best drilled lot bringing the launch down to Si gapore. Tof soldiers I have seen on Chinese territory Capt Burnie, examined by Mr Stevens: as yet, and for physique they would no remember Mr Wotton sending for me on doubt compare favorably with the stripling the 9-h or 10th June; Mr. Wotton request- r. cruits that now form so many of our reed me to go to the P. & O. office to arrange giments at home. All we saw to-day were about towing the launch to Singapore. Mr in the prime of youth, not a few were well Worton told me he was setting for Mr made and muscular fellows apparently able Alsekoff. I went to the P. & O. office to do any amount of hard work. Fully and there saw Mr Woodin and told him half of them were armed with breech-loaders that I had some from Mr Wotton to arrange | which we afterwards found were old Spiders about the towing of Mr Alsokoff's launch bearing the mark "Tower 1869" on the to Singapore, and the terms were decided look plate. Several were much damaged on. Nothing was said as to where the about the muzzle, but the men said "no money was to be paid. After making ar lear." Every man seemed precious proud rangements I returned to Mr Wotton's over his foreign gun, one follow assuring us Messra E & U. Grosclaude, watchoffice and sold him what had been done, that his would 'kill dead' at a distance of Atterwards I went back to see Mr Woodin air II. Their cartridges were very rough, to propose making some written agreement, cheap looking things, too rough to be of out air Woodin said it was too late and coreign manufacture, yet a very good imita tout he had seen Mr Wetton, who said as tion of the genuine thing if made by a they sent a consignment of their wares agreement was not necessary. I stated Chinaman. Volley firing was done in here, then on to Kuei-yang, to the firm Cross-examined by Mr Johnson :- I did had seen with the 10 feet matchlocks a day of a central place for doing business not tell Mr Woodin where the money or two ago. Orders were given by various throughout the West of China, under was to be paid. Tue saunch left on signals, by the waving of flags, firing of a he 10th June. I cannot awear that morter, the blowing of a conch which I sold Mr Woodin that Mr Wotton held a served for bugle, the beating of a drum power of Accorney from Alsekoff, but and the ordinary word of command. There was a facility and uniform regularity in the Mr stephens, in summing up the case for execution of these orders both as to the the defence, road a veral extracts from movements of men and the manipulation smith's dierosatile Law on the respon- of arms which must have been the result of atotity of agents &c. and held that his car ful drill, and this, we were told, was

What a military man would say to this Mr Johnson addressed the Court for the show we cannot say, but an outsiders' impression is that a few thousand such men that defendant was the only person who las we saw to-day would not be despised with a Odl. Gordon at their head; whereas, on the defensive, with some well-engineered earthworks and good heavy artillery, they might make Kun Yam Shan as hot a place for the trussians, if they came this way, as His Lordanip said he would consider the Plevns was found to be in the hands of the

> The review is continued to-morrow, when the Vicercy is to see some target practice,

> > NOTES FROM SZE-CHUAN.

Chung Ching, Friday, Nov. 19. I hear that Governor Ting has sent

ome one to buy arms at Shanghai or

Hongkong, apparently determined not

to encourage the establishment of foreign bouses in the interior, as he might have obtained anything he wanted from smouldering barely out of night. The ___ & Co. at this port, with the APPEALS AGAINST THE VALUATIONS FOR usual passports and advance required in the Christians some justice for their l'Axarion Punpusies. - of these there with doing the same business with foreign a word of the Lo-lo and their doings of late, so I suppose they have retired to their mountain homes, loaded with the under "transit-pass," to- Mesny de Co. Chung-ching, has been stopped by the Custom-house at Kwei-chou Fu. It is notiyet known here whether it is owing the underlings at the Custom-house to obtain a squeeze, that "the goods have been stopped. Saturday, Nov. 20.

There are in this city, four Yun-nan houses, which together might furnish Governor Ting with a million of taels but of believe they are little inclined to do so I they now refuse to grant drafts on Hankow or Shanghai, and I am told that they have sent a considerable amount of treasure to Hongkong for mafe keeping. If the Colonial Officials know their duty to the Colony. they will doubtless make these monied strangers welcome there, as they are very industrious and respectable people seeking an anaylum out of danger's way. Some of the Beu-Ch'uan rich fold may also endeavour to follow suit in this matter for the sake of preserving their treasure, if they cannot save their lands, Large granaties are to be opened in every city, and one per tent of grain is to be levied from everyone to fill them : then there is the Tle. 18,000 from every Heien, to be levied by the Magistrate, and a proclamation is to be issued for-

bidding any one trading under a foreign

Sunday, Nov. 21. A young friend of mine arrived here last night, on his way to Ch'ang-tou. where he is going like a "sheep to the slaughter," to marry a lady that he has two wives, but they are both dead, leaving him a child each. He belongs to a most respectable family, which has furnished many officers of renown to the member of the family in particular, of whom some good and manly deeds are told is a rare specimen of upaintness and would do honour to any nation or society. The good people love and honour him, and the wicked fear him His four sons promise to be an honour to their father, and become useful members of Society. Trade is exceedingly dull at present, and everyone appears to ascribe the reason to the salt monopoly by the Government.

Monday, Nov. 22 the anti-foreign spirit, now raging throughout the Empire, is not soon reined in, the authorities will have their hands full, in dealing out justice, on the | reaking out of hostilities. The Ch'ing-ling Chao, and the secret sociéties standing grievance to settle, and the unfortunate Christians, who have lately suffered so much persecution in various provinces, are not likely to stand it much longer, and will most likely demand justice, in an unmistakeable manner before another year is over. Respectable people throughout the Empire will eagerly fly for protection to the bosom of the Church from the oppression of rapacious Officials, and in view of the great number of brigands that are sure hostilities in any quarter, Russia need not bring many soldiers to the front : arms, money, and Officers, are all that is necessary to raise a million of men on

A military man could give you a better short notice. Tuesday, Nov. 23. The consignment of watches lately seized at the Kuerfu customs has been allowed to proceed, the " transit pass ! having proved satisfactory. I believe that natives who avail themselves of the passes also pay a little squeeze to the customs underlings for quick examination and they probably expected that the Foreigners concerned in this consignment would submit to the same squeezing Mesny & Co. are determined to avai themselves of all the Treaty rights, and enforce the same, if necessary, by every means in their power, in order to gain the confidence of such foreign houses as may feel inclined to consign any goods to them, for sale, or send them orders for native produce such as Opium, Musk, Rhubarb, Bilk, Oxhides, Ox and Deer Horns, Galinuts, and Safflowers. makers at Hankow, have been the first to venture on the use of " transit passes, in a thoroughly legal manner. Years ago ment upon the raudom shooting which we business in that City only. This is more

transit passen"

A curious affair has happened in Chiang-pei Ting, a city across the White River, opposite this, in the Chungching Fu; it is, in fact, the Deputy Prefeatural city of this Prefecture. desuntch was received some time ago, ordering the apprehension of a rich man ja chuing pei, who was to be forwarded to Ch'eng-tu, without delay. The Chiangnel officials seized the man and squeezed him, they sent him on to the Provincial Judge at Ch'eng-tu, as directed by the Judge's orders expressed in the warrant for the apprehension of the said man. More than Tis. 5000 were squeezed out of the unfortunate individual named Wong T before he reached Ch'eng-tu where the Provincial Judge expressed surprise at such a prisoner being brought firward under His Lordship's warrant. It is now pretended that the despatch and warrant for the apprehension of the man are false, and he has been released, but the persons who caused the apprehension have been taken and released also. It is most likely that the authorities have meddled with a "Hornet's nest" and wish to back out of it for fear of a revolution, the fires of which are authorities are now pretending to render

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Quotations. Hongkong, December 31. OPIUM. -- New Patna, cash 6421 Old cash, 600 New Benaves, cash, 6524*
Old Saab, 6474+ New Malwa credit, 780. Allowance, Taels ... & Old Malwa, credit, 750 Allowance, Taels ... 4. # High Touch. Bank, Wire, 8/8 Demand. ... it its and 30 days' sight,

4 months sight, Documentary, 4 months' sight, India, Wiromen and are an demand, Shanghai, demand, ... BO days' sight, ... Gold Leaf, 991 fine ... Sovereigns, in his in · Temperature.

(Taken at Mesers Falconer & Co.'s Premises. Queen's Road.) Hondkond, Desember 31.

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